

**NI 43-101 TECHNICAL REPORT ON THE
OZHERELIE and YKANSKOYE GOLD
PROJECTS,
IRKUTSK OBLAST, RUSSIA**

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1. SUMMARY

Sutcliffe Resources Ltd., through its wholly-owned subsidiary Baykal Gold, acquired a 51% interest (with an option to own 100%) in ML Ltd in January 2007. ML Ltd, a Russian company, has a 100% interest in the Ozherelie and Ykanskoie gold projects, approximately 1,100 km north of the City of Irkutsk in the Irkutsk Oblast, Siberia, Russia (Figure 1-1 and Figure 1-2).

Gustavson Associates, LLC ("Gustavson") was commissioned by Sutcliffe Resources Ltd ("Sutcliffe") in late November 2006 to prepare a Canadian National Instrument 43-101 (NI43-101) compliant Independent Technical Report on Ozherelie and Ykanskoie and to review Sutcliffe's proposed 2007/08 exploration programs for both Projects. William J Cowl, R.G., the Qualified Person for the preparation of this report personally visited the Ozherelie and Ykanskoie project sites in early February, 2007.

The Ozherelie and Ykanskoie deposits are located in two separate mining licenses with terms of 20 years from August 2, 2006. The licenses are some 10km apart, covering 24 and 7.2km² respectively, to a depth of 1,000m below the current surface.

The deposits are located approximately 130km north of the district center of Bodaibo. Irkutsk is serviced by regular direct air services with the capital city of Moscow, which in turn services the town of Bodaibo with daily turbo-prop flight services. Large river barges can also supply Bodaibo (on the Lena River) which is linked to the prospect areas by a gravel road. The prospect areas are situated within 3 km off this road. Alternatively the nearest rail head is at Taksimo situated 240km south of Bodaibo and linked by road.

The Ozherelie and Ykanskoie gold deposits are located within a highly mineralized belt of deposits which includes the world class Sukhoi Log gold deposit as well as a number of other hard rock and alluvial gold deposits either in production or in development in the region. The region has historically produced a reported 48 million ounces of gold, making it one of the most prolific gold producing regions in the world.

ML discovered the deposits in an area where no hard rock gold deposits had been previously identified. The immediate area adjacent to Ozherelie has seen significant placer gold production that continues today. The Ozherelie deposit has been traced for over 7km but it is still relatively unexplored: to date there has been relatively small amounts of core drilling (20 holes, 1317m, 1317 samples) and channel sampling (1631 samples). The Ykanskoie deposit, has been traced for 6km confirmed through 33 trenches (859 channel samples). More detailed exploration has so far been limited to 11 drill holes (476m, 410 samples).

At Ozherelie, the quartz-gold veins are associated with silicification, sulphides (minor), brown-sparring (ankerite), albitization and muscovite, hosted within flat lying (dipping on average 7° to the NNE, varying from 5-12°) thrust zones. Mineralization is hosted within banded carbonaceous cherty flysch terrigenous (psammitic-pelitic) schists, which display a distinctive layering. The coarse quartz-gold mineralizing event is considered to overprint and remobilize an earlier schist formation related mineralizing event associated with sericite and muscovite (± chlorite). The zones vary in vertical thickness from 8m to 36m. Gold occurs as generally coarse (70% greater than 1mm) and visible free gold with a fineness of 940 hosted in white quartz veins

and often along the boundary or within the browner “spar”(ankeritic) material. Silver content is less than 1 g/t.

Mineralization at Ykanskoye is hosted with a shallow dipping thrust zone dipping 12-14° to the NE over a width of 2.0 to 8.0m within a zone of intensely sericite-muscovite (\pm silicification and sulphides consisting of pyrite and pyrrhotite). An earlier stage quartz event occurs but is only weakly gold mineralized and previous prospecting focused on exploring this with limited success. This quartz event has a spatial relationship to the mineralized zone. The early mineralization event occurred during metamorphism and is associated with chlorite and muscovite (\pm sericite). The main gold mineralizing event occurred associated with regional granitic intrusions and thrusting with less quartz (silicification) and sulphides (pyrite and pyrrhotite). Peripheral to the mineralized zones occur minor arsenopyrite but arsenopyrite does not appear to host gold mineralization. Gold is visible in higher grade zones (+10 g/t Au) but not generally coarse. Gold is not locked in sulphides but free milling and has a fineness of +950. Silver grades are less 1 g Ag/t.

At Ozherelie, ML has conducted 4 tests of bulk samples, variously testing the characteristics of the coarse gold mineralization and comparing trench sample analysis results with assays on core from the same location. In 2003, 2,606t of mineralized material was processed through a company-constructed gravity recovery plant. At a calculated head grade of 2.91g Au/t, some 94.5% of the gold was recovered. In 2006, a further 5000t bulk sample was taken and processed from Zone 1 at Ozherelie. A comparison of assays from core holes, trench samples and bulk samples from Zone 1 during 2006 has shown sufficient comparative reliability of trench samples to bulk sample results and a lack of corresponding comparative reliability between the core holes and both the trench and bulk samples. The insufficiency of the core samples in predicting bulk sample grades is at least partially related to the prevalence of coarse gold in the mineralized zone and the relative small diameter and mass of the core samples relative to the other sampling methods.

Neither Gustavson nor Sutcliffe has completed any independent sampling and/or confirmatory logging of core, except for an examination of half core from one hole in Ozherelie and one hole at Ykanskoye. Future rounds of evaluation of the existing data may involve assaying historical sample pulps and rejects, if available. Based on a review of available data and interviews with principals of ML, Gustavson has no reason to doubt the validity of the work summarized in this report, as it has been generated under a strict set of Russian protocols and developed by ML, an experienced Russian exploration company, and analyses were carried out by respected Russian analytical laboratories.

Gustavson has reviewed the protocols of the ML exploration program, the results of that program, the geology and mineralization data and the methodologies employed in the Ozherelie C1 and C2 resource estimates. Whereas the data collected has not been collected with an eye toward compliance with western standards (i.e. quality control and quality assurance), the protocols rigorously employed were those mandated by the government of Russia. The Russian protocols are strict and comprehensive, dealing with nearly the same issues as the western industry standards, but with differences in terms of core and sample retention, submission of

blanks, standards and duplicates, etc. The geological investigations were thorough and well documented.

Gustavson considers that the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye C1 and C2 mineral resources as estimated by ML and approved by TKZ “Irkutsknedra”, can be classified and reported as Inferred Mineral Resources as defined by the CIM. Gustavson considers that these Inferred Mineral Resources are NI43-101 compliant. Using a 1.0g Au/t cutoff grade, a 3m minimum composite thickness and a specific gravity of 2.7, the Inferred Mineral Resources are as follows:

Property	Tonnes (millions)	Grade (g Au/t)	Contained Au (Oz)	Contained Au (t)
Ozherelie	1.05	3.68	124,000	3.86
Ykanskoye	1.40	3.43	154,000	4.78
Total	2.45	3.53	278,000	8.65

Both deposits remain relatively untested. At Ozherelie, of the 7km of apparent strike length, only about 0.5km comprise the resource stated above. At Ykanskoye, about 1.4km of a 6km strike length comprise the resource above. The shallow dip of both prospects enhances the prospectivity of down-dip projections along strike.

Sutcliffe is presently planning several full seasons of exploration on both the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye projects. A US\$12m budget has been committed for 2007 and 2008 and funds allocated as follows:

	Ozherelie				Ykanskoye				Total		
Total	Meters	Cost US\$/m	US\$ m		Meters	Cost US\$/m	US\$ m		Meters	Cost US\$/m	US\$ m
BTS Drilling	3500	100	0.35		0	100	0.00		3500	100	0.35
Core Drilling – Phase 1	9800	200	1.96		5500	200	1.10		15300	200	3.06
RD 10 – Phase 2	24500	120	2.94		13000	120	1.56		37500	120	4.50
Trenching (m³)	12600	10	0.13		18000	10	0.18		30600	10	0.31
Other			2.27				1.51				3.78
Total			7.65				4.35				12.00

Nearly 64% of the total US\$12.0m will be spent at Ozherelie with the remainder spent at Ykanskoye. At both properties, two phases of exploration are planned. The first phase will generally test the extent of the mineralized horizons across the respective properties, while the second phase will be predominately in-fill drilling down dip and along strike of the current resource areas. The activities will include core drilling, conventional air rotary drilling (BTS-150), reverse circulation drilling, test pitting, bulldozer trenching and other geological investigations. This phased approach is appropriate, given that exploration to date has been limited and confined to a relatively small area of both properties.

Sutcliffe will conduct the exploration on the properties in accordance with protocols that will satisfy NI43-101 requirements.

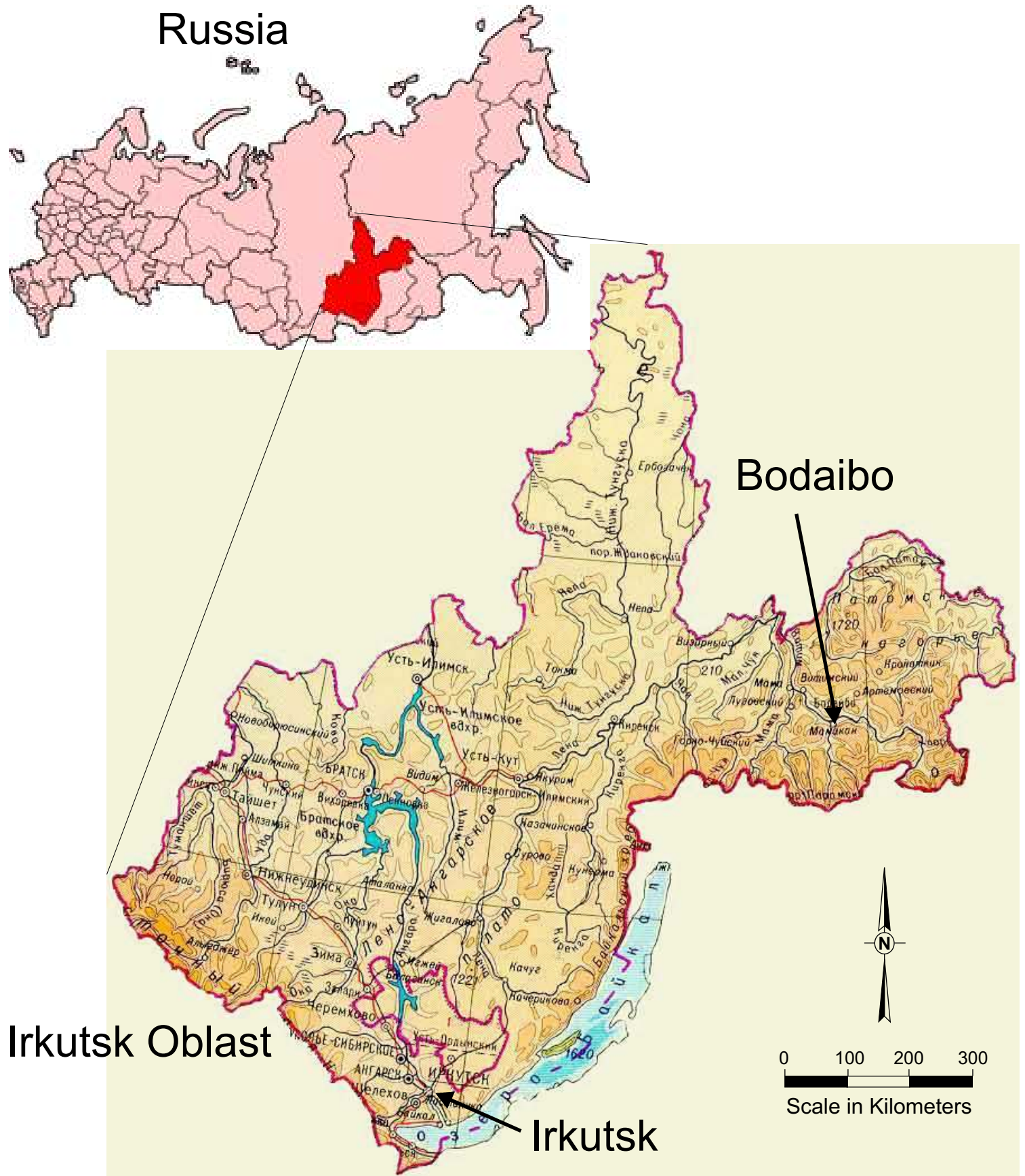
The potential for the Ozherelie project ranges from the current inferred mineral resource of 3.86t of gold contained in 1.05 million tonnes at a gold grade of 3.68g/t developed over 0.5km of the 7km strike length to more than 40t of gold (1.3 million oz) contained along the remaining 6.5km of strike length. This potential is based on an average of approximately 100m down-dip projections of mineralization. This potential is not CIM-compliant and is stated here to be indicative of the potential of the known mineralized system at Ozherelie.

The potential for the Ykanskoye project ranges from the current inferred mineral resource of 4.78t of gold contained in 1.40 million tonnes at a gold grade of 3.43g/t to more than 16t of gold (>0.5 million oz) contained along the remaining 4.6km of strike length, however, Gustavson considers that there is considerable strike and down-dip potential at Ykanskoye that could increase the above potential significantly beyond the 16t of gold. This potential is not CIM-compliant and is stated here to be indicative of the potential of the known mineralized system at Ykanskoye. As above, further exploration is planned to test this potential in the near future. This statement of potential assumes a down-dip projection similar to that used in the estimation of the Inferred Mineral Resource (between 100 and 300m). The deposit remains open down-dip.

Gustavson recommends that Sutcliffe carry out the following tasks in addition to the drilling, sampling and testing programs proposed:

- Prepare a centralized database and carry-out a detailed data verification program; and
- Implement a CIM-compliant resource estimation procedures for sampling, assaying, QA/QC programs and resource estimation. These procedures should be guided by the CIM “Best Practice Guidelines”.

Gustavson considers the exploration program proposed by Sutcliffe to be appropriate for the Projects at their current state. The staged exploration program will be conducted in a manner that supports the eventual estimation NI43-101 – compliant Measured or Indicated Mineral Resources (if warranted).



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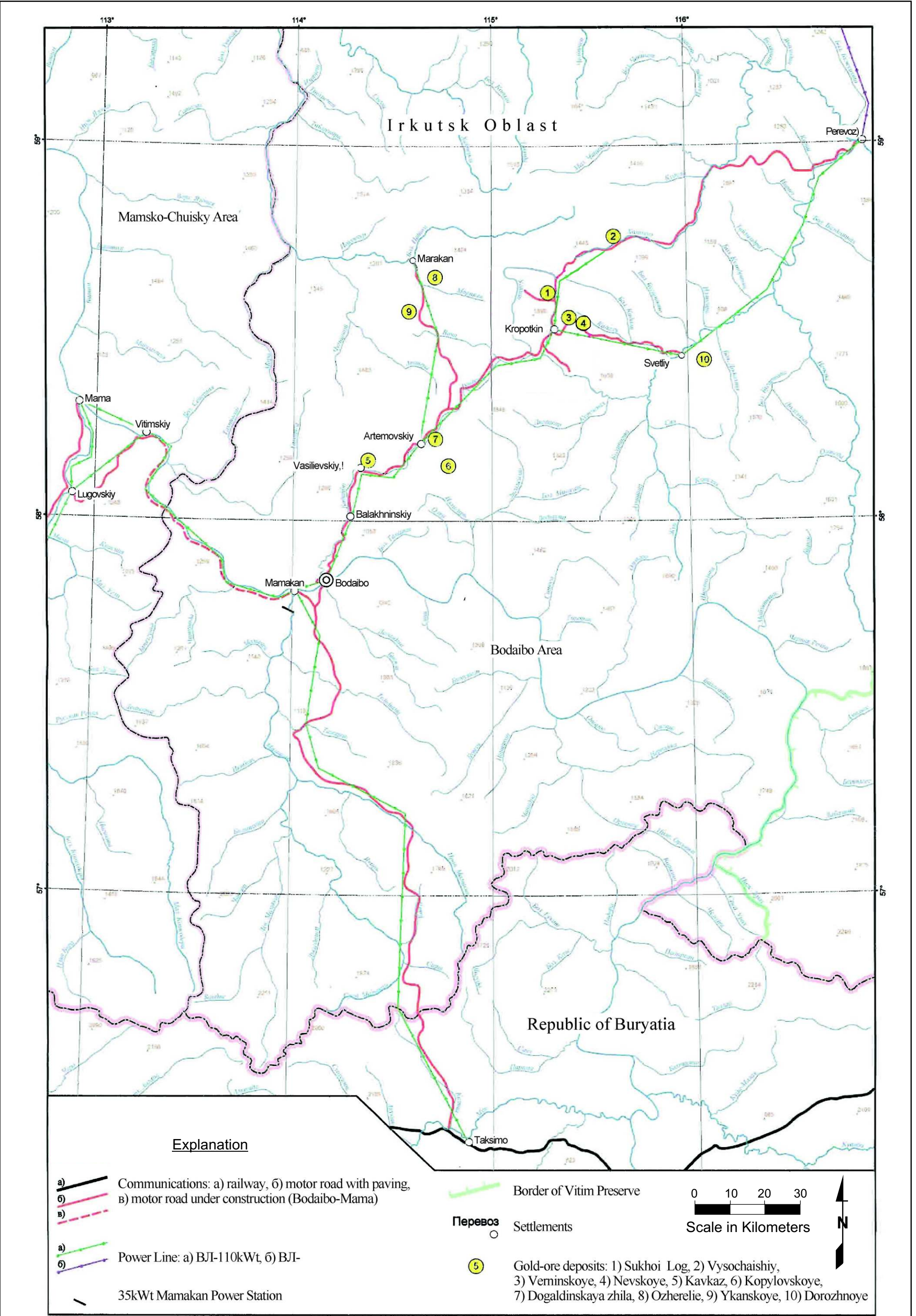
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FIGURE I-I
GENERAL LOCATION MAP
OF THE IRKUTSK OBLAST



2. INTRODUCTION

Gustavson Associates, LLC ("Gustavson") was commissioned by Sutcliffe Resources Ltd ("Sutcliffe") in late November 2006 to (1) prepare a Canadian National Instrument 43-101 (NI43-101) compliant Independent Technical Report on the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye gold exploration projects (the "Projects") in the Irkutsk Oblast, Russia, and (2) to review Sutcliffe's proposed 2007/08 exploration programs for both Projects.

2.1 Terms of Reference

This report has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines provided in National Instrument 43-101 ("NI43-101"), Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects, dated December 31, 2005. The Qualified Person responsible for this report is Mr. William J Crowl, R.G., Vice President, Mining Sector at Gustavson.

2.2 Property Ownership Structure

Sutcliffe acquired Baykal Gold ("Baykal") as a wholly owned subsidiary on December 1, 2006 for a consideration of US\$3,500. Baykal is a company incorporated under the laws of the Russian Federation to acquire tendered or licensed properties in the region of Irkutsk. Sutcliffe is obligated to pay a finder's fee of US\$500,000 to the founding shareholder of Baykal in connection with the initial 51% acquisition of ML Ltd. ("ML"). ML is the owner of the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye gold projects located in the Irkutsk Oblast region of East Siberia. An additional finder's fee of US\$400,000 will also be paid upon the acquisition of the remaining 49% of ML.

Sutcliffe, through Baykal, has acquired a 51% interest and can, ultimately, acquire a 100% interest in the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye mineral projects. The Company paid US\$10,000,000 for its initial 51% interest in ML and must thereafter incur US\$12,000,000 in exploration expenses on the two projects over four years. The 51% interest in ML was acquired from six arm's length individuals, who retain the 49% balance. If a resource calculation prepared as a "C2" calculation under Russian law and indicating a reserve (non-CIM compliant) of at least 20 tonnes of gold (approximately 650,000 troy ounces) is received by the Company, the Company will be obligated to pay an additional US\$8,000,000 for the remaining 49% interest in ML, giving the Company 100% control of the two projects. After such time as the entire US\$12,000,000 has been spent on exploration, a further C2 resource calculation (under Russian law) will be prepared and the Company will be obligated to pay to the vendors of ML that amount which is equal to US\$10.00 per ounce for each troy ounce of gold reserves in excess of 20 tonnes.

2.3 Purpose and Basis of Report

Gustavson has prepared this report exclusively for Sutcliffe to fulfill requirements for the TSX-V Exchange. The information presented, opinions and conclusions stated, and estimates made are based on the following information:

- Information provided by Sutcliffe, Baykal and ML;
- Assumptions, conditions, and qualifications as set forth in the report; and
- Data, reports, and opinions from third-party entities.

Gustavson has not independently conducted any title or other searches, but has relied upon Sutcliffe for information on land ownership, tenure and permit status. In addition, Gustavson has not independently conducted any mining, processing, or economic studies, or permitting and environmental studies.

2.4 Personal Inspection

A personal inspection of the Ozherelie and Ykanskiye project sites was conducted on February 5, 2007 by William J Crowl, the Qualified Person responsible for preparation of this report. The site visit was made in the company of Dr A.I. Ivanov, Director General of CJSC Siberian Geological Company and Mr. M. Kurani, General Director, Chukot Gold and translator. In addition, 2 days were spent in ML's Konakovo offices and 4 days in the Irkutsk offices of ML.

2.5 Units

Unless explicitly stated, all units presented in this report are in the International System (SI) or the Metric System (i.e. tonnes, meters, grams, etc.). All references to economic data are in U.S. dollars and cents, unless otherwise noted.

2.6 Acknowledgements

Gustavson wishes to acknowledge the hospitality of ML in Konakovo, Irkutsk and Bodaibo. The cooperation of the ML staff made the understanding of the Projects possible. The language skills of Mr. Mohammed Kurani and his staff were essential to the report's completion.

3. RELIANCE ON OTHER EXPERTS

A number of individuals have contributed to the data and technical programs discussed in this technical report, besides the Qualified Person. The two individuals responsible for much of the work include Dr. Anatoly I. Ivanov and Mr. Gary V. O'Connor. Each is highly-qualified in his respective fields and possesses a significant number of years in the mining industry. A brief summary of their experience is as follows:

Dr. Anatoly I. Ivanov is currently the Director General of CJSC Siberian Geological Company. He holds a PhD. in geology. He has been involved with the exploration and development of mining projects for over 34 years, primarily in the Irkutsk Region of Russia. Dr. Ivanov and his team discovered both the Ozherlie and Ykanskoye deposits. His CV is included in Appendix A.

Mr. Gary V. O'Connor is a Graduate in Geology from the University of Auckland, 1982. He is a Member AusIMM, and has worked in mineral exploration and development since 1983 in New Zealand, Australia, Pacific Islands, Indonesia, Philippines, Mexico, USA and Eastern Europe for BP Minerals, Amax, Pelsart International, Freeport McMoRan and Gabriel Resources.

Mr. William J. Crawl has personally reviewed the input of the above individuals to this report in order to ensure that it meets all of the necessary reporting criteria as set out in Canadian Instrument NI43-101 guidelines.

4. PROPERTY DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

4.1 Property Description and Location

The Ozherelie and Ykanskoye deposits are located in two separate licenses some 10km apart covering 24 and 7.2 sq km (km²) respectively. Initially, ML gained 25 year exploration licenses for both projects. These have subsequently been transferred into 20 year mining licenses, to a depth of 1,000m below the current surface. Table 4-1 and Table 4-2 provide the geographical coordinates of the corner points of the respective licenses, defined in Latitude and Longitude using the WGS84 spheroid. Figure 4-1 and Figure 4-2 show the license boundaries for Ozherelie and Ykanskoye, respectively.

Table 4-1 Geographical Coordinates of the Ozherelie Project License

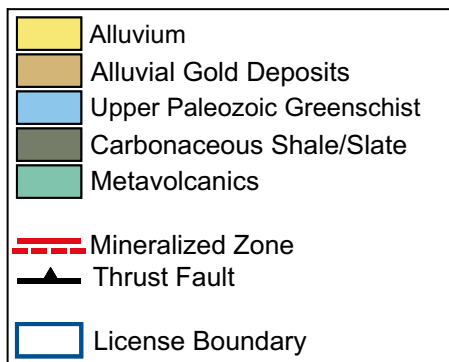
No. of Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	58° 41' 13"N	114° 39' 44"E
2	58° 41' 08"N	114° 43' 36"E
3	58° 39' 18"N	114° 45' 33"E
4	58° 37' 35"N	114° 45' 08"E
5	58° 37' 20"N	114° 44' 11"E
6	58° 38' 47"N	114° 41' 12"E
7	58° 39' 21"N	114° 40' 41"E
8	58° 40' 28"N	114° 40' 57"E

Table 4-2 Geographical Coordinates of the Ykanskoye Project License

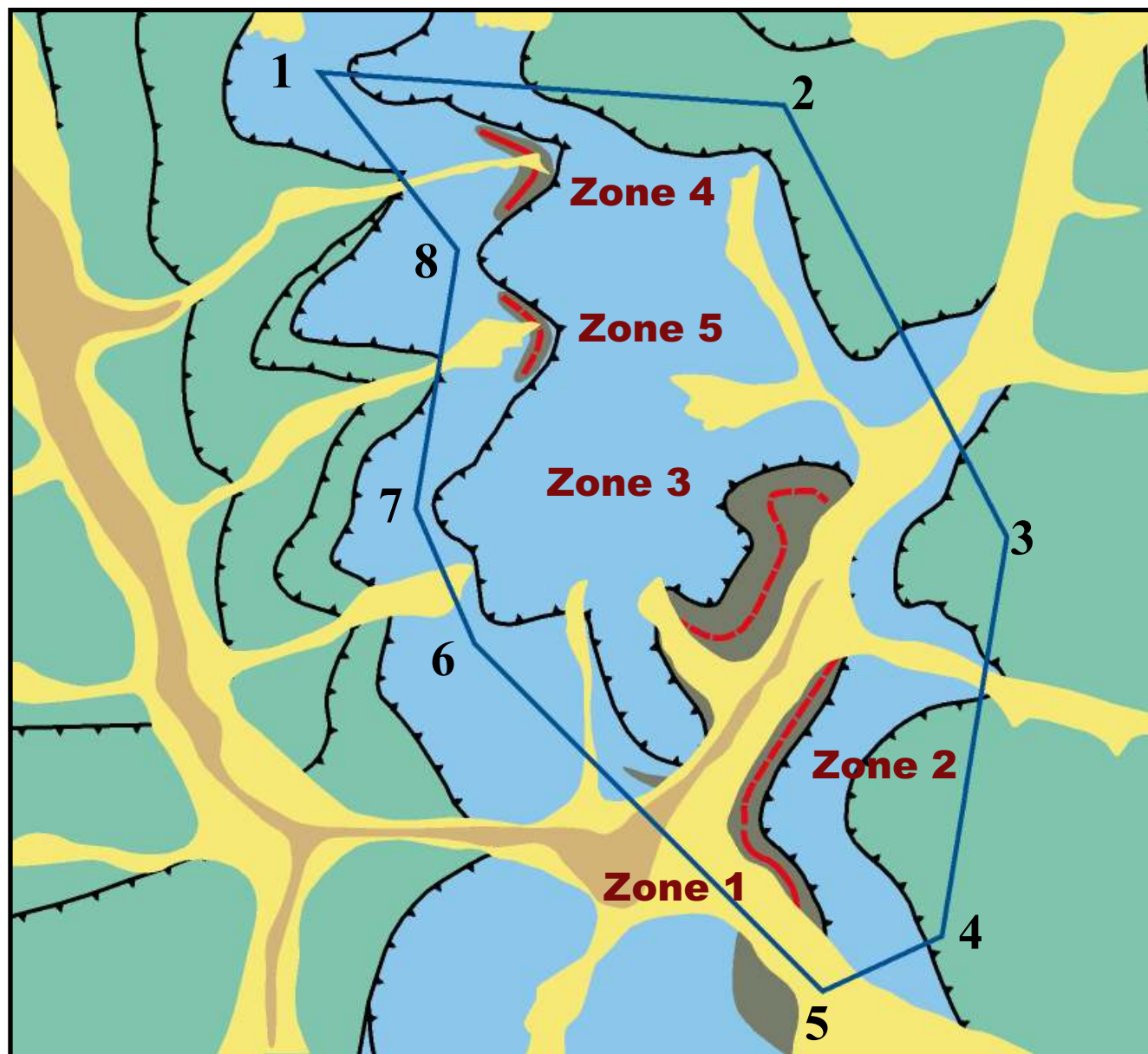
No. of Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	58° 34' 13"N	114° 34' 35"E
2	58° 34' 25"N	114° 34' 59"E
3	58° 33' 14"N	114° 37' 11"E
4	58° 32' 10"N	114° 37' 57"E
5	58° 31' 54"N	114° 38' 30"E
6	58° 31' 25"N	114° 37' 40"E
7	58° 31' 42"N	114° 36' 52"E
8	58° 32' 30"N	114° 35' 50"E
9	58° 32' 55"N	114° 36' 06"E
10	58° 33' 45"N	114° 34' 55"E

The license areas just cover the outline of the known deposits. If additional room for processing plants, tailings and waste dumps as well as other infrastructure is needed, it is reported that acquisition of adjacent land will not be an issue. There is reported to be some overlap in licenses with the Marakan Mining Company. Currently, Marakan is mining alluvial gold within the Ozherelie license area as it has the rights to the alluvial deposits, while ML has the mining rights to all the hard rock deposits within its license area.

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Scale in Kilometers



No. of Point	Latitude	Longitude
1	58° 41' 13"N	114° 39' 44"E
2	58° 41' 08"N	114° 43' 36"E
3	58° 39' 18"N	114° 45' 33"E
4	58° 37' 35"N	114° 45' 08"E
5	58° 37' 20"N	114° 44' 11"E
6	58° 38' 47"N	114° 41' 12"E
7	58° 39' 21"N	114° 40' 41"E
8	58° 40' 28"N	114° 40' 57"E



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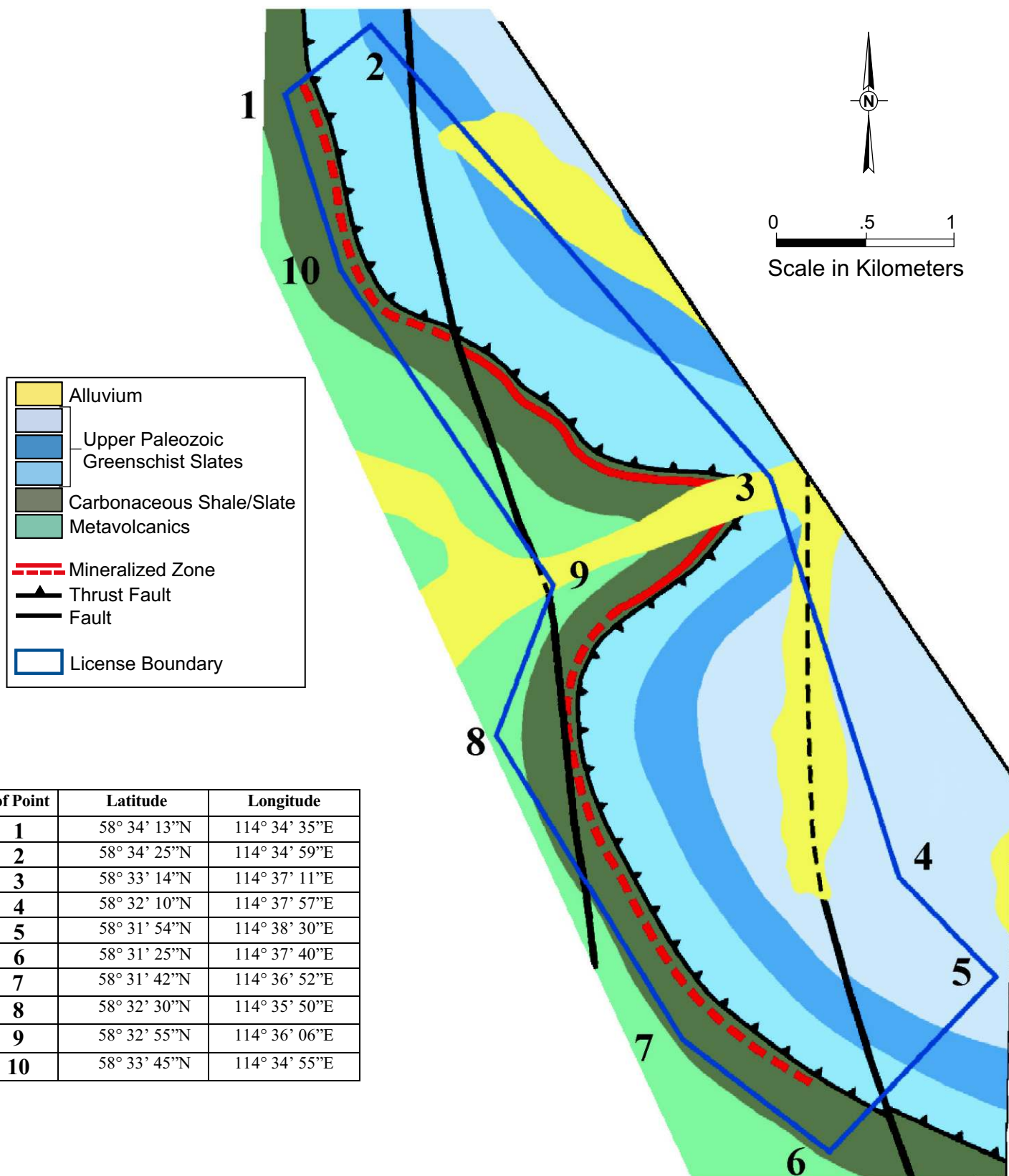
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FIGURE 4-1
OZHERELIE PROJECT LAND POSITION



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FIGURE 4-2
YKANSHOYE PROJECT LAND POSITION

Gustavson has not reviewed the permits that must be acquired by Sutcliffe with respect to the exploration and exploitation of Ozherelie and Ykanskoye. Gustavson is not aware of any environmental liabilities associated with the properties.

4.2 Mineral Land Tenure

Both licenses were granted on August 4th, 2006 for a period of 20 years. There are work requirements (both physical and geological), industrial and labor safety requirements, environmental requirements, social and economic development requirements, defined taxes and payments associated with the Licenses. A non-edited English translation of both licenses is included in Appendix B. The work requirements and taxes/payments (as restated from the machine translation) are summarized below.

4.2.1 Ozherelie License 13710

The work requirements for Ozherelie are:

a) not later than September 1, 2007, the preparation and approval of a geological exploration plan for the license site and positive approval following state ecological examination;

b) not later than December 1, 2007, the beginning of prospecting activity on the license site;

c) not later than September 1, 2010, the end of prospecting of the deposit and the presentation of an appropriate geological report which includes an estimate of gold reserves for State expert appraisal. The reserve estimate is to be based on the following minimum amount of exploration work:

- drilling of boreholes – 8,000m;
- drifting of surface mining developments – 85,000m³;
- selection and analysis of bulk samples – 14,400t;

d) not later than September 1, 2011 preparation, coordination and approval of a technical program (design) for commercial development, and the approval from the state ecological examination and examination of industrial safety;

e) not later than March 1, 2012 the beginning of mine and infrastructure construction ;

f) not later than March 1, 2013 the beginning of commercial extraction of gold;

g) not later than September 1, 2013 commissioning of productive capacity of not less than 240 kg of gold per year (capacity of the extraction enterprise is specified after the end of deposit prospecting and following technical design of development);

h) not later than 6 months prior to planned time for completion of mining the deposit, completion of the closure plan design for the mine,

Taxes and payments due are as follows:

a) Subsoil user pays the following payments for subsoil use:

- Regular payments for subsoil use with a view of carrying out of prospecting of a deposit of gold ore prior to commercial production (for entire area of the License site, excluding the areas of a deposit that has entered into commercial operation):
3,000 roubles for 1 km² – in 2006;

12,000 roubles for 1 km² – in 2007-2010;

18,000 roubles for 1 km² – in 2011 and the next years.

- The tax on extraction of minerals – the rate of the tax is defined according to the tax law of the Russian Federation.
- The water tax from the extraction of underground water during mining are established according to the legislation of the Russian Federation.

b) Single payment for subsoil use at a rate of 576,000 (five hundred seventy six thousand) roubles.

c) Single payment for subsoil use is brought in the income of the federal budget within 30 days from the moment of the state registration of the license.

d) Subsoil user is obliged to pay fees for licensing for a subsoil site use in the federal budget at a rate of 12,000 (twelve thousand) roubles, within 20 days from the date of the state registration of the license.

e) Other kinds of payments and taxes, stipulated by the legislation of the Russian Federation are brought by Subsoil user in established order.

4.2.2 Ykanskoye License 13711

The work requirements for Ykanskoye are:

a) not later than September 1, 2007 not later than September 1, 2007, the preparation and approval of a geological exploration plan for the license site and positive approval following state ecological examination;

b) not later than December 1, 2007, the beginning of prospecting activity on the license site;

c) not later than September 1, 2010, the end of prospecting of the deposit and the presentation of an appropriate geological report which includes an estimate of gold reserves for State expert appraisal. The reserve estimate is to be based on the following minimum amount of exploration work:

- drilling of boreholes – 5,000m;
- drifting of surface mining developments – 52,000m³;
- selection and analysis of bulk samples – 80,000t;

d) not later than September 1, 2011 preparation, coordination and approval of a technical program (design) for commercial development, and the approval from the state ecological examination and examination of industrial safety

e) not later than March 1, 2012 the beginning of mine and infrastructure construction ;

f) not later than March 1, 2013 the beginning of commercial extraction of gold;

g) not later than September 1, 2013 commissioning of productive capacity of not less than 300 kg of gold per year (capacity of the extraction enterprise is specified after the end of deposit prospecting and following technical design of development);

h) not later than 6 months prior to planned time for completion of mining the deposit, completion of the closure plan design for the mine,

Taxes and payments due are as follows:

- a) Subsoil user pays the following payments for subsoil use:

- Regular payments for subsoil use with a view of carrying out of prospecting of a deposit of ore gold till the moment of input of the License site in commercial operation (for all area of the License site except for the areas of a deposit entered into commercial operation):

3000 roubles for 1 km² – in 2006;

12000 roubles for 1 km² – in 2007-2010;

18000 roubles for 1 km² – in 2011 and the next years.

- The tax on extraction of minerals – the rate of the tax is defined according to the tax law of the Russian Federation.
- The water tax from the extraction of underground water during mining are established according to the legislation of the Russian Federation.

b) Single payment for subsoil use at a rate of 924,000 (Nine hundred twenty four thousand) roubles.

c) Single payment for subsoil use is brought in the income of the federal budget within 30 days from the moment of the state registration of the license.

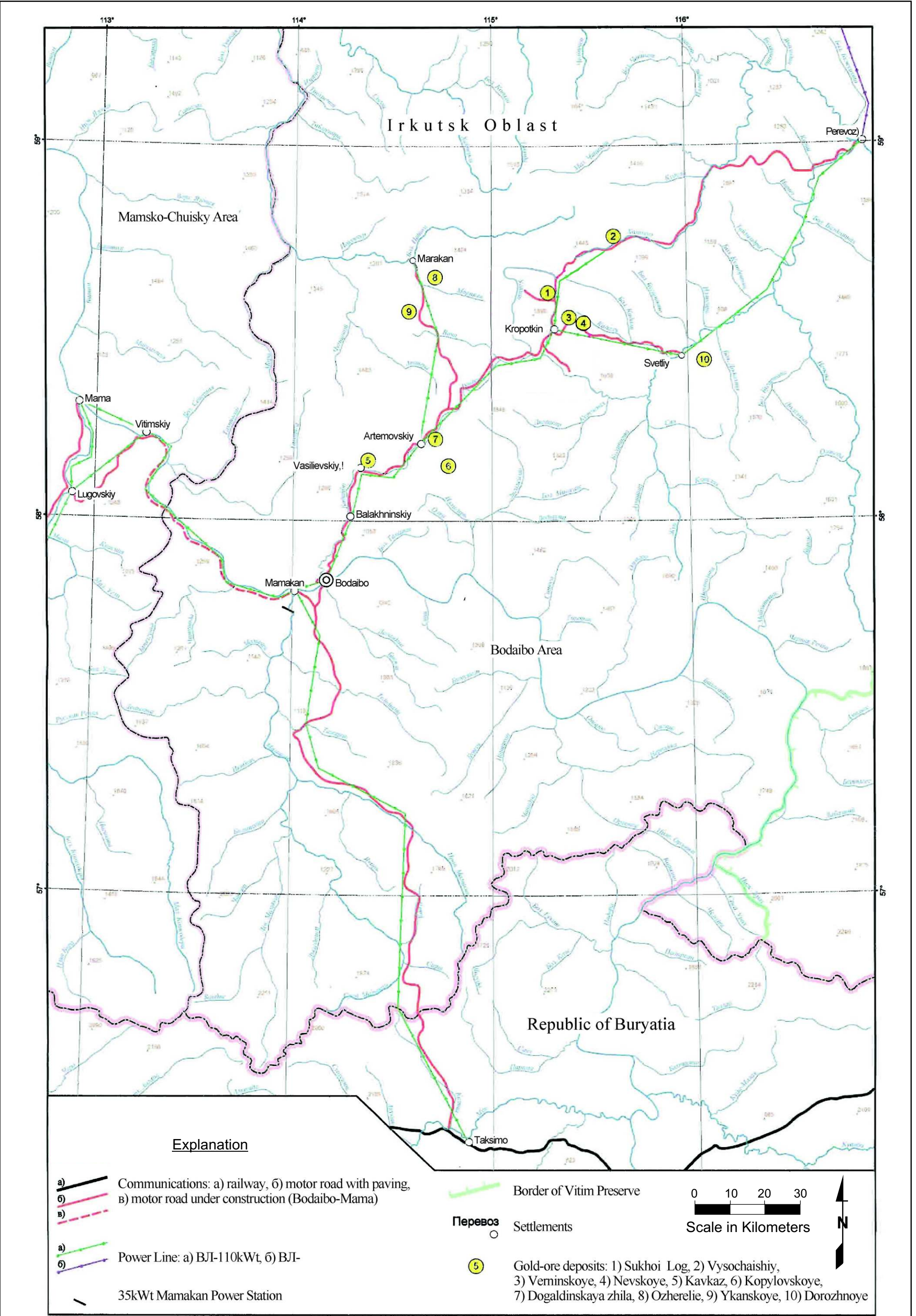
d) Subsoil user is obliged to pay fees for licensing for a subsoil site use in the federal budget at a rate of 12000 (twelve thousand) roubles, within 20 days from the date of the state registration of the license.

e) Other kinds of payments and taxes, stipulated by the legislation of the Russian Federation are brought by Subsoil user in established order.

5. ACCESSIBILITY, CLIMATE, LOCAL RESOURCES, INFRASTRUCTURE and PHYSIOGRAPHY

5.1 Accessibility

The Ozherelie and Ykanskoye deposits are located in the northeastern part of the Irkutsk Oblast in central Siberia, Russia. The Project areas are located approximately 1,100km north of the main center of the region, Irkutsk, with a population of some 700,000. The district center of Bodaibo (pop. 20,000) lies approximately 130km to the south. Ozherelie and Ykanskoye are some 6km southeast and 15km south (respectively) of the local mining support town of Marakan (pop. 1000) (Figure 5-1). Irkutsk is serviced by regular direct air services with the capital city of Moscow (5 hours) which in turn services the town of Bodaibo with daily turbo-prop flight services (2.5 hours). Both Irkutsk and Bodaibo airports can be effected by weather on a regular basis. Large river barges on the Lena and Vitim rivers can also supply Bodaibo, which is linked to the Project areas by a poorly maintained gravel road. The Project areas are situated 2 to 3km off this road. The road trip from Bodaibo to site takes 3-4 hours, weather and conditions dependent. Winter travel (with the roads frozen) is easier than travel in summer. Alternatively the nearest rail head is at Taksimo situated 240km south of Bodaibo and linked by road.



after: Ivanov 2004, 2006, 2007

The area is remote with no telephone or mobile phone coverage and no local population or inhabitants. The land is owned and managed by the National Forestry Fund, but trees are sparse and small. A 110 KW power line follows the road.

5.2 Climate

The climate is extremely cold with only a short brief summer period. During the site visit by Gary O'Connor in August, 2006, the surrounding hills were capped by fresh snow and temperatures dropped to sub-freezing with surface water freezing over night. Deep permafrost is said to be common in the area. Annual precipitation averages 375mm, with 260mm falling as rain, and the rest as snow. The daily maximum precipitation is 55mm.

5.3 Local Resources and Infrastructure

Bodaibo has been a center of support for mining activity over many years. Sutcliffe, through ML's long-standing relationships in the Bodaibo area, has identified several opportunities for office space, capable labor and an equipment yard to take care of logistical issues as they may arise.

5.4 Physiography

The relief around the Projects is moderate, with slopes commonly 10-18°, and rarely 20-25°. Maximum ridge elevations range from 1000 to 1300m.

5.5 Environmental Conditions

Alluvial mining has taken place in the immediate vicinity of both Ozherelie and Ykanskoye. At Ozherelie, alluvial mining is active, whereas at Ykanskoye, the alluvial mining reportedly dates from Tsarist times. The Exploitation and Exploration Licenses specify permitted activities at the sites as well as requirements at the time of closure. To date, site disturbances by ML have been related to road and drill pad construction, trenching and bulk sampling. Future disturbances will be similar, with additional efforts in all areas.

6. HISTORY

6.1 General Background

The deposits of Ozherelie and Ykanskoeye are relatively new discoveries made by ML in a district with a long history of gold production with a number of mines still in production and more in development. Gold mining in the region dates back to times of the Tsarist times (1800s). Historical gold mining from the region was mostly alluvial and as much as 1500 tonnes (48 Moz) of gold has been recorded as historical production from the district. The drive from Bodaibo to Marakan follows rivers which host numerous old and current alluvial operations with continuous mining along what are wide gravel rich river beds. Grades are said to be in the order of 10g per cubic meter. Current regional gold production is reported to be 15t (482,000oz) per year (10-12t from placer deposits and 3-4t from hard rock sources). Gold mining along with hydro-electric power generation are the main economic activities in the region.

The very large undeveloped gold deposit, Sukhoi Log (Spot # 1 on Figure 5-1) is situated 30-35km to the ESE of the deposits on the same regional up-thrust structure. In the region gold was deposited in multiple stages but the main, latest and largest event being associated with the granitic intrusions and thrusting and occurring post-metamorphism. In the district, tungsten and tin mineralization associated with granites has also been explored but not exploited.

At the prospect areas, a current large scale alluvial operation at Ozherelie is currently mining the deeper placer deposits immediately adjacent to the deposit and has been the site of historical alluvial mining operations. At Ykanskoeye, the alluvial deposits were reportedly exploited during Tsarist times.

Historically, hard rock mining was conducted on high grade quartz vein-gold systems hosting coarse grained gold. Two historic quartz-gold mines are situated peripheral to the Sukhoi Log deposit. Ozherelie is a similar system with coarse gold hosted primarily in quartz veins. The coarse grained quartz-gold deposits are considered to be the main source for the extensive alluvial deposits in the area. More recent exploration has targeted finer grained gold systems. Sukhoi Log hosts finer grained gold in pyrite-quartz veins as does the Ykanskoeye deposit. It would appear that the Ozherelie deposit was not located historically due to the very small outcrop above the “bogs” which covered the deposit. A working deposit model helped in the recent exploration success, partly due to the understanding of the systems based on work done at Sukhoi Log and the surrounding area.

6.2 Ozherelie

Historical alluvial mining which continues to the present with a large dredging operation (Marakan Mining) occurring immediately adjacent to and abutting the Ozherelie deposit. The current production details are not known. The hard rock source of the alluvial mineralization is a recent discovery by ML. Figure 6-1 is a satellite image of the alluvial mining in the vicinity of Ozherelie, showing the juxtaposition of the recent placer workings and the Ozherelie prospects.

As the exploration work (geological investigations, drilling, trenching, analysis and resource estimation) was conducted post-NI43-101 inception, the resource estimates and the supporting

work programs must be discussed as non-historical, and included in sections 10 through 16 of this report.



Explanation

- Historic Alluvial Gold Mining
- Mineralized Zone



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Scale in Kilometers

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FIGURE 6-1
OZHERELIE PROJECT MINERALIZED ZONES
& ALLUVIAL GOLD DEPOSITS

6.3 Ykanskoye

The Ykanskoye deposit area was reportedly mined for alluvial gold in the 19th Century during the times of the Tsar. Additional alluvial mining was again conducted during the 1950's. It is reported that 50t of gold has been recovered from the area. No hard rock mining of gold had taken place on the site. The hard rock mineralization is a recent discovery by ML.

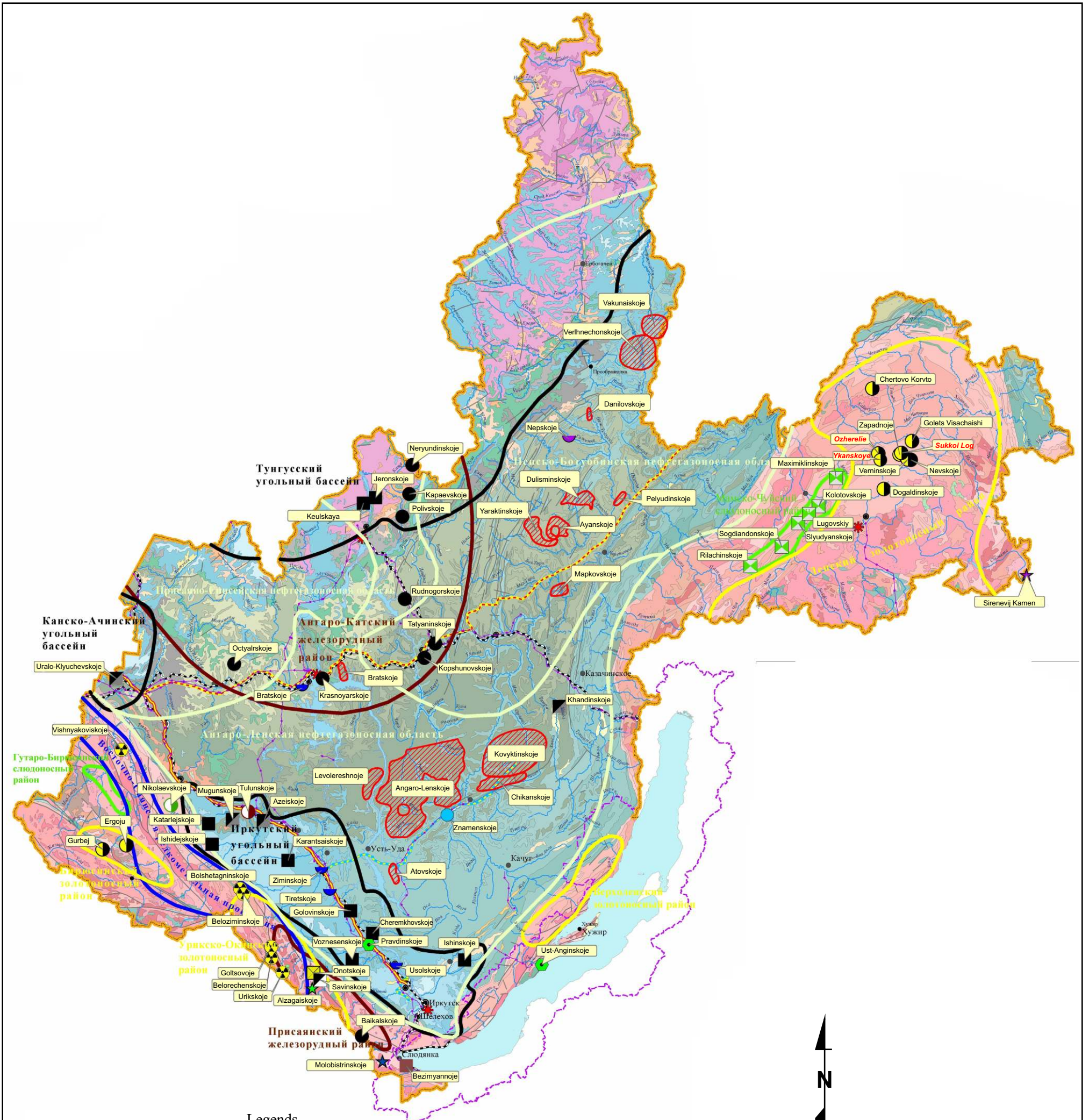
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7. GEOLOGICAL SETTING

7.1 Regional Setting

The region is hosted in terrigenous and carbonate units regionally metamorphosed to greenschist to epidote and epidote-amphibolite grade metamorphism dated at 430 Ma. The intrusion of granites and granite dykes occurred in the Upper Palaeozoic (320Ma) and resulted in contact metamorphic aureoles around or above granite bodies distinguished by biotite isogrades. The intrusion of granites is considered to be concurrent with the thrusting event, faulting and the last and main stage of gold deposition. Figure 7-1 is a metallogenic map of the Irkutsk Oblast. Figure 7-2 shows the local geology in the area surrounding the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye deposits.

The deposits are situated on the northern and southern flanks of a regional mega-syncline structure trending WNW. Crustal shortening and thrusting has occurred from the NE. This is situated within a regional up-thrust block (The Marakan-Tungus structure) with the same trend which is seen to extend for some 70km and 15-20km wide. This trend hosts 3 main mineralized areas on the intersection of regional NNE structures with the Marakan-Tungus structure. The central Sukhoi Log area is hosted in a metamorphic iso-grade zone containing chlorite \pm muscovite.

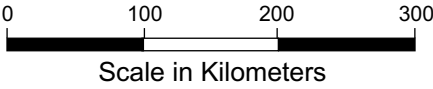


Legends

Deposits of minerals

- Iron
- Manganese
- Titan
- Gold
- Rare metals
- Coal stone
- Coal brown
- Magnesite
- Graphite
- Talc
- Mica - muscovite
- Limestone chemically pure
- Salt potash
- sodium chloride
- Lazurite
- Ophicalcite
- Charoite
- Hydromineral raw material
- Oil and gas fields

- Borders of gold-bearing areas
- Borders of oil-and-gas bearing areas
- Border of rare-metal provinces
- Borders of coal basins
- Borders of iron-ore areas
- Border of mica-bearing area
- Power station
- Electric mains (LEP)
- Working oil pipeline
- Kerosene-pipe
- Oil pipeline Taishet - Pacific Ocean (under construction)
- Gas main Kovykta - Angarsk (under construction)
- Railway
- Border of the central ecological zone of BPT



LEGENDS
to geological map of Irkutsk Oblast



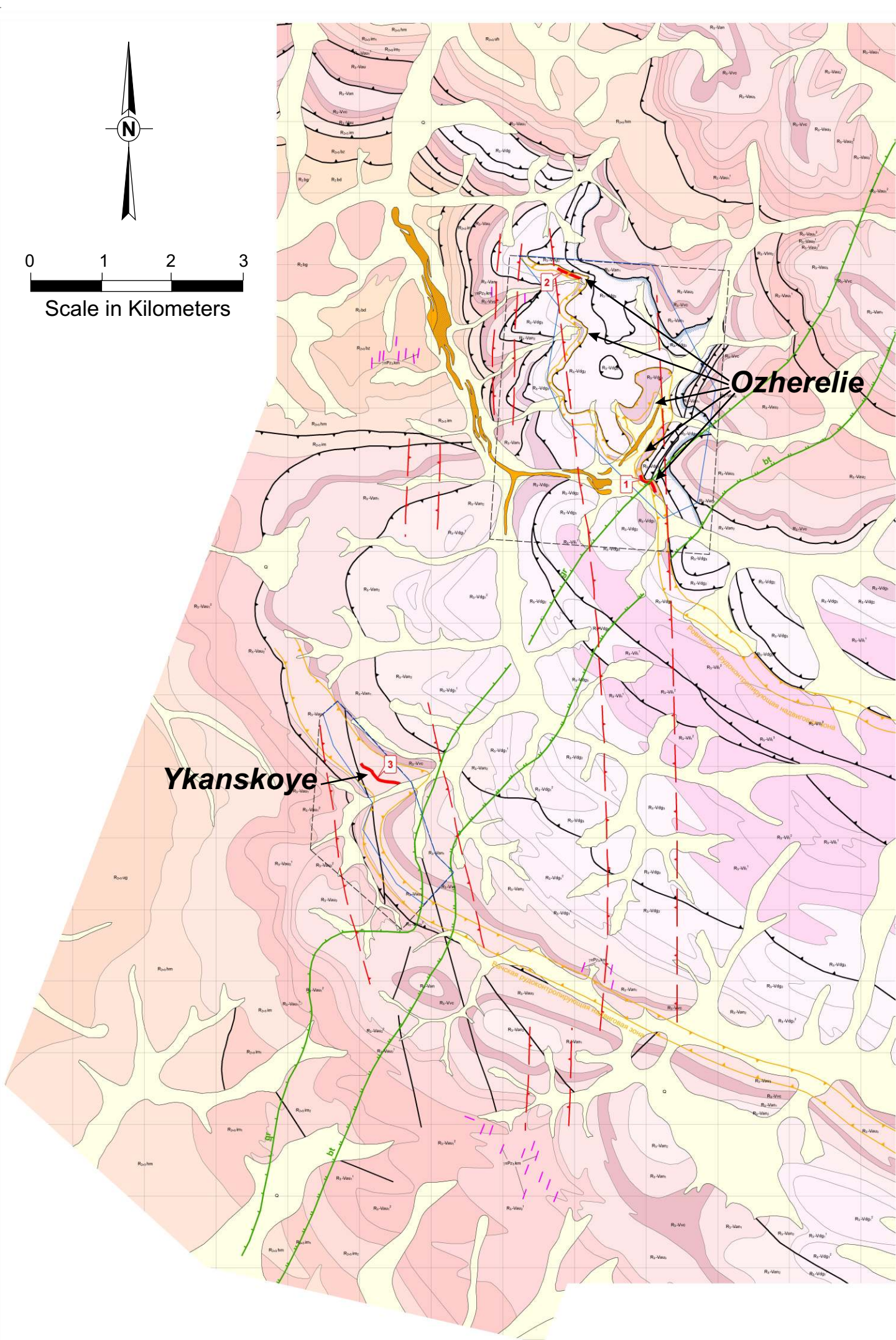
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INTRUSIVE FORMATIONS

Structure	Peridotites, dunites, serpentinites, pyroxenites	Dolerites, gabbro-dolerites	Gabbro, norites, gabbro-norites, gabbro-diorites	Diorites	Granites	Granodiorites	Granosyenites	Syenites	Alkaline gabbroids
Age									
T-K								17902 Malomurunsky EL-ξ ₃ mn	
C-T		17183 Angarataseevsky βPZ ₃ ?at			16603 Konkudero-Mamakansky vC ₃ km Mamsky vD ₂ -C ₃ km				17623 Synnysky sv3C2s inqamakitsky syPZ ₃ ziminsky LEξVz angaro-taseevsky (βPZ ₃ ?at)
D-C		17184 Zharovskiy vβDaz			16604 Ognitsky vD ₁ C ₃ o bugulminsky vO ₁ b		17324 Ognitsky vβD ₁ C ₃ o	17904 Synnysky EξC2s saibarsky F(T)s	in pool of Tynda, Biryusa, Tumansheta rivers
O-S					16605 Konkudero-Mamakansky sy-vC ₃ km				
V-C	17206 Khoitokinsky vUC ₂ h		17906 Olkhovskiy v ₁ C ₂ o tannuolsky v ₁ C ₂ t	16500 Babinskoy (?) pvS ₂ ?b olkhovskiy (?) δ ₁ C ₂ o ¹			Konkudero-Mamakansky vδC ₃ km olkhovskiy vδ ₁ C ₂ o tanjuolsky vδ ₁ C ₂ t		
R	17207 Paramsky vUR ₂ ?p	17187 Patomsky βR ₃ pt angaulsky βR ₁ a	17927 Tallinsky v ₁ R ₄ t chaisky vβ ₁ R ₃ δe nersinsky β ₁ R ₃ tt	16507 Bambukovskiy (?) vδR ₃ b	16607 Tallinsky vR ₄ a bambukovskiy vR ₃ b varalsky vPR ₁ t chuijsky nichatsky vPR ₂ c vPR ₃ tn		Kutimsky vδPR ₁ k	17327 Yaralsky vξPR ₁ j	
PR	17208 Iysky vδPR ₁ ?i burutuisky uδPR ₁ ?o		17928 Urdaokinsky vPR ₃ u chasovensky vPR ₃ cs burutuisky ozersky vPR ₃ ?b vPR ₃ oz malotagulsky arbansky vAR ₂ ?m vAR ₂ ?ar		16608 Shuminskoy syPR ₃ sn sayansky vPR ₃ s derbinsky vPR ₃ ?d primorsky vPR ₃ p hadaminsky vAR ₂ ?n				
AR	17209 Listmanskoy uδAR ₁ i		17929 Teprokansky vAR ₂ i		16609 Kitoisky mvAR ₂ ?k chuijsky nichatsky vPR ₂ c vPR ₃ tn				

after: Ivanov 2004, 2006, 2007

FIGURE 7-1B
REGIONAL METALLOGENIC MAP
(EXPLANATION KEY)



English Explanation

- Q

Quaternary sediments
- R₂-VL₂

Bodaiho Suite
- R₂-VL₁

Ilgir suite. Medium subformation - calcareous sandstones and slates
- R₂-VL₁

Ilgir suite. Lower subformation. Carbonaceous slates, calcareous sandstones and slates
- R₂-Vdg

Dogaldyn Suite undifferentiated. Metasandstones, metaaleurolites, slates
- R₂-Vdg₁

Dogaldyn Suite. Upper subformation. Sandstones and aleurolites with prolayers calcareous and carbonaceous differences
- R₂-Vdg₂

Dogaldyn Suite. Medium subformation. Calcareous and carbonaceous sandstones with prolayers, slates and aleurolites
- R₂-Vdg₃

Dogaldyn Suite. Lower subformation. Sandstones with prolayers of carbonaceous slates and lenses gravelites
- R₂-Van₁

Anangr Suite. Upper subformation. Calcareous sandstones with prolayers of carbonaceous slates and aleurolites; amphibole-biotite slates and gneisses
- R₂-Van₂

Anangr Suite. Lower subformation. Carbonaceous slates and sandstones with lenses of limestones; graphitic slates, amphibole-biotite gneisses and quartzites
- R₂-Vvc

Vacha Suite. High-carbon quartz slates, graphitic quartz slates and metasandstones
- R₂-Vau

Aumakit Suite undifferentiated. Metasandstones and slates carbonaceous
- R₂-Vau₁

Aumakit Suite. Upper subformation. Carbonaceous sandstones and slates, graphitic biotite and graphite-biotite slates with pomegranate
- R₂-Vau₂

Aumakit Suite. Medium subformation. Carbonaceous micaceous-quartz slates, sandstones, calcareous sandstones, graphitic slates
- R₂-Vau₃

Aumakit Suite. Lower subformation. Calcareous sandstones with prolayers of slates and carbonaceous slates, quartzites, binary granite and garniferous slates
- R₂-Vn

Nygrin Series
- R₂-Vn₁

Imnyakh Suite undifferentiated. Metasandstones and slates calcareous, marble
- R₂-Vn₂

Imnyakh Suite. Upper subformation. Sandy limestones, calcareous slates and sandstones
- R₂-Vn₃

Imnyakh Suite. Lower subformation. Calcareous slates, limestones sandy
- R₂-Vn₄

Khomokho Suite. Pelitic and aleurolite carbonaceous slates and sandstones
- R₂-Vn₅

Ugakan Suite. Interstratifying calcareous slates and limestones marbled
- R₂-Vb

Balaganakh Suite
- R₂-Vb₁

Bodaibakan Suite. Limestones
- R₂-Vb₂

Bugorikhtin Suite. Metasandstones, prolayers of slates
- гпгггггг

Konkudera-Mamakan complex. Dikes of granite - porphyries, quartz porphyries
- a)

b)

Faults: a - steeply-dipping breaks, b - thrusts
- bt

Quartz-albite metasomatites
- a)

b)

bt

gr

Isograds of biotite (a) and garnet (b) of regional metamorphism
- 1

2

3

Secant ore-controlling zones of shift dispositions with steeply-dipping plate-shaped veins (Bi, Sn, W, Pb, Zn, Au mineralization)
- 1

2

3

Mineralized Zone: 1,2-deposit "Ozherelie"; 1 - ore zone № 1, 2 - ore zone № 4; 3 - ore zone of deposit "Ykanskoeye"
- a)

b)

Alluvial placers of gold, a - prospected, b - developed
- 1

2

Ore-controlling structures - thrust zones of schistosity
- 1 : 10000

Contour of map of scale 1 : 10000
- 1

License Boundary

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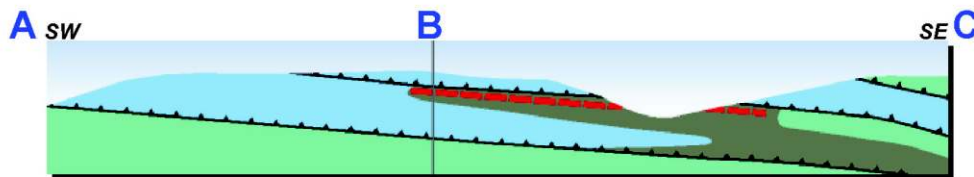
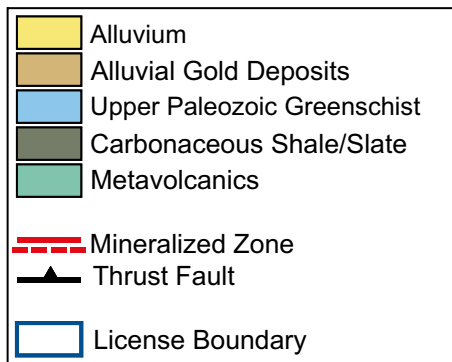
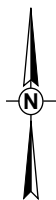
FIGURE 7-2
LOCAL GEOLOGY AROUND THE
OZHERELIE THE YKANSKOYE DEPOISTS

7.2 Property Geology

7.2.1 Ozherelie

The deposit is hosted within carbonate to terrigenous (psammitic-pelitic) schists regionally metamorphosed to predominantly greenschist to amphibolite facies grades of Reef-Sorbian age (430 Ma). Local granite porphyry dykes of Upper Palaeozoic age intrude the schists and are considered to be associated with thrusting and the main mineralization event. A district-scale granite dome feature is situated to the immediate west of the deposit which has created an anti-form and the structural setting for the more intense thrusting which displays a northerly trending orientation at Ozherelie. Ozherelie is situated on the NE limb of this structure within a strongly deformed zone. The recently discovered mineralized zones (numbered Zone 1 through Zone 5) are confined to thrust zones with thrusting occurring in a WSW direction (Figure 7-3). The thrust zone in the immediate Ozherelie area is associated with visible gold, quartz and brown-spar (ankerite), demonstrating geological continuity between the zones. As shown in Figure 6-1 and Figure 7-3, the Ozherelie hard rock gold occurrences fall immediately adjacent to alluvial gold mines or in the heads of drainages that host alluvial gold operations.

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Scale in Kilometers



**Cross-Section A-B-C
(Looking North)**

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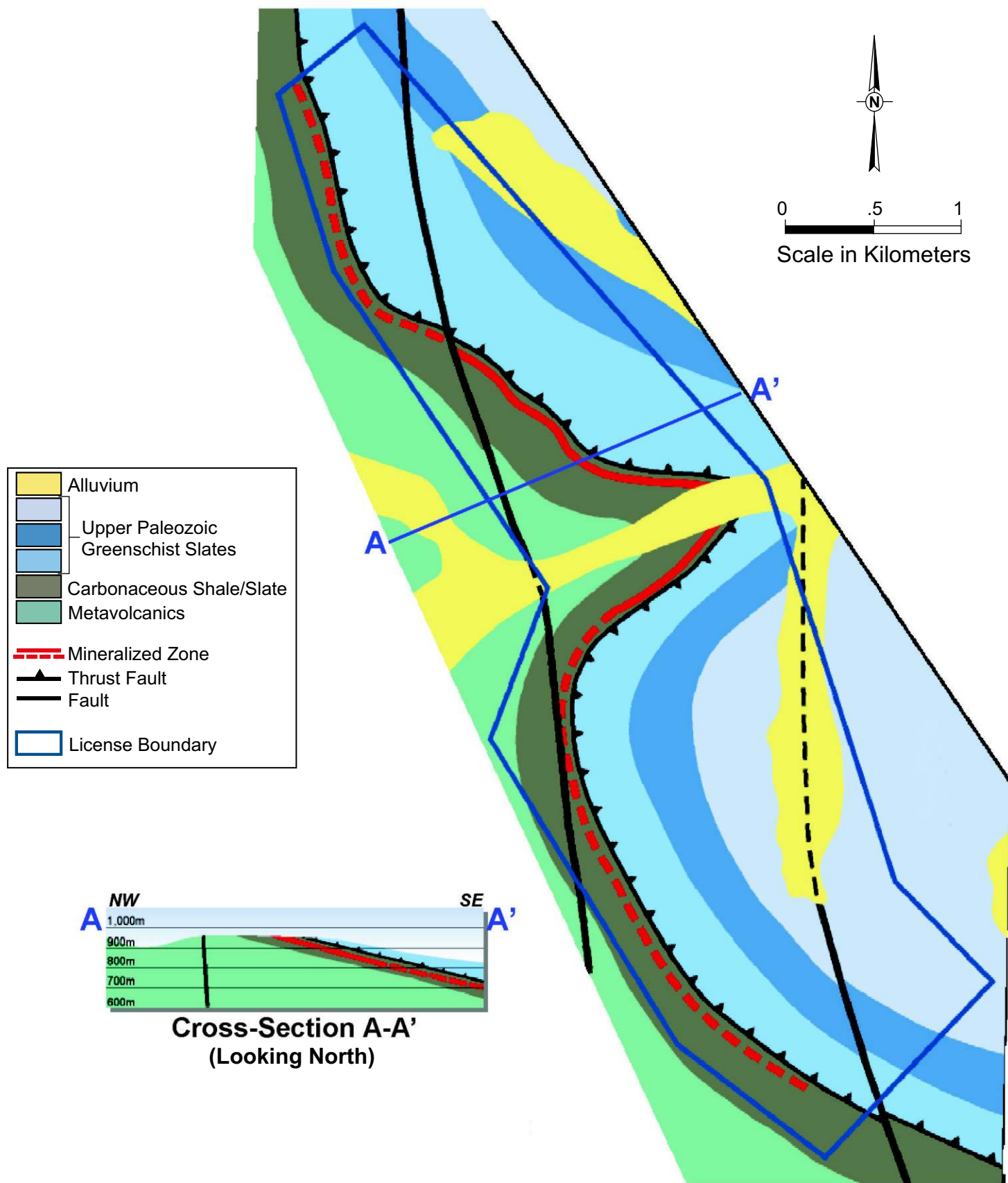
**FIGURE 7-3
OZHERELIE PROPERTY GEOLOGY**

7.2.2 Ykanskoye

The Ykanskoye deposit is hosted within Riphean-Sorbian age (430 Ma) metamorphic schist units which have been intruded by Upper-Palaeozoic age granite dykes which cross-cut the earlier schist units. The schist units display regional greenschist to epidote-amphibolite facies grade metamorphism with local cross-cutting biotite-kyanite higher-grade metamorphism. Granite intrusion is associated with thrusting from a NE direction as part of the Upper-Palaeozoic age regional Baikal fold belt.

The mineralized zone is hosted immediately above a black carbonaceous pelitic slate unit (Black unit) within a thrust grey coloured fine psammitic to pelitic slate unit (Grey unit). It appears that the reducing environment of the carbonaceous slate has influenced the precipitation of gold in the unit above and the continuity of this unit may affect the potential down dip extension of additional mineralization.

Structurally the prospect is relatively more simple than Ozherlie. One single NE (12° average) plunging thrust zone has been mapped. The prospect is situated on the southern limb of a regional anti-form created by granite doming with a WNW orientation (Figure 7-4). The prospect is located within the western most part of a major WNW trending up-thrusted block which hosts 3 mineralized centers, of which Sukhoi Log is one.



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FIGURE 7-4
YKANSKOYE PROJECT GEOLOGY

8. DEPOSIT TYPES

The Ozherelie gold deposit may be described as low sulphidation quartz/carbonate/gold veins and stockworks in a shear zone.

The Ykanskoye gold deposit may be described as a mesothermal or epithermal low sulphidation hydrothermal system, characterized by gold-bearing quartz-pyrite-pyrrhotite veins and replacements of schistose slates beneath a capping formation.

9. MINERALIZATION

9.1 Ozherelie

At Ozherelie, the quartz-gold veins are associated with silicification, sulphides (minor), brown-sparring (ankerite), albitization and muscovite, hosted within flat lying (dipping on average 7° to the NNE, varying from 5-12°) thrust zones. Mineralization is hosted within banded carbonaceous cherty flysch terrigenous (psammitic-pelitic) schists, which display a distinctive layering. The coarse quartz-gold mineralizing event is considered to overprint and remobilize an earlier schist formation related mineralizing event associated with sericite and muscovite (\pm chlorite). The zones vary in vertical thickness from 8m to 36m. Mineralization is bounded to the SW by more carbonaceous schist facies, which indicates some lateral changes in lithology. Within the carbonaceous units to the SW, mineralization is weak. The carbonaceous content of the unit would be considered to provide the geochemically reducing environment for the deposition of gold. And it may be that the higher grades are located nearer to this transitional boundary. Gold occurs as generally coarse and visible (70% greater than 1mm) particles with a fineness of 940, hosted in white quartz veins and often occurs along the boundary or within the browner “spar” material. Silver content is less than 1g/t.

Gold distribution is extremely non-uniform in the mineralization tested in Zone 1. Drill holes C-29, 30 and 31, drilled to intersect the Zone 1 mineralization in the vicinity of Trenches 102 and 122, returned a weighted average gold content of 0.9 grams per tonne (g/t), whereas channel samples in the immediate vicinity returned an average gold grade of 5.16g/t and a bulk sample in the same area (1,177t) returned an average gold grade of 5.04g/t. The core size (61mm) (and therefore the sample size) may be insufficient to gain a representative sample given the coarseness of the gold particles, (70% greater than 1.0mm). The core drilling does however provide excellent geological detail concerning the nature of the shear zone and the prospectivity of the mineral assemblage intersected. Figure 9-1 shows a long-sectional view of the bulk mined cut at Zone 1. The blue colored areas indicate detailed mapping of the quartz-ankerite gold bearing horizons in the face.

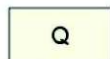
A



Length of Samples, m	9.2	10.3	11.2	12.0	7.95
Vertical Thickness, m	9.0	8.2	9.4	9.6	6.8
Grade * Thickness	29.77	129.37	57.78	27.92	46.67
Average Au Content, gpt	3.24	12.68	5.16	2.33	5.87

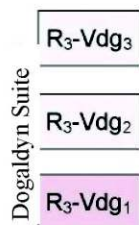
The 5 mineralized zones (Figure 7-3) have received differing levels of exploration to date. Zones 1 and 4 have seen the most work. All of the zones display very similar geology and mineralization across the property. Each is the host of native gold, exposed in trenches, pits and/or drill holes. As all exploration to date has been immediately adjacent to the above zones, it is therefore not yet known whether the mineralized horizon outcropping in Zone 3 extends westward all the way through to Zone 4 and 5.

Figure 9-2 shows the 5 zones in detail and their relationship to each other.



Quaternary sediments

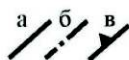
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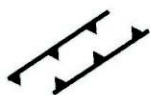
Upper Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones light feldspar-quartz, low-power prolayers of slates poorly carbonaceous

Medium Dogaldyn subformation. Rhythmical alternation of lime metasandstones and micaceous slates is poorly carbonaceous

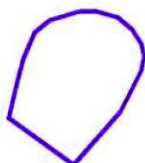
Lower Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones are carbonaceous quartz - feldspar in rhythmical alternation with metaaleurolites and slates carbonaceous, gradational lamination metasandstone-slate is frequently occurred



Faults: a - mapped, б - hidden under quaternary deposits, B - thrusts



Zone of upthrust with plastic (flexural) deformation



Contour of open pit



Prospecting line and its number



Trenches



Trenches

C-1

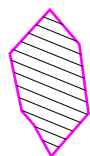
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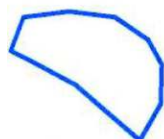
Mineralized zone № 1



Ore zone № 1 (a), including blocked by quaternary deposits (б)



Horizontal projection of block C₁



Horizontal projection of block C₂

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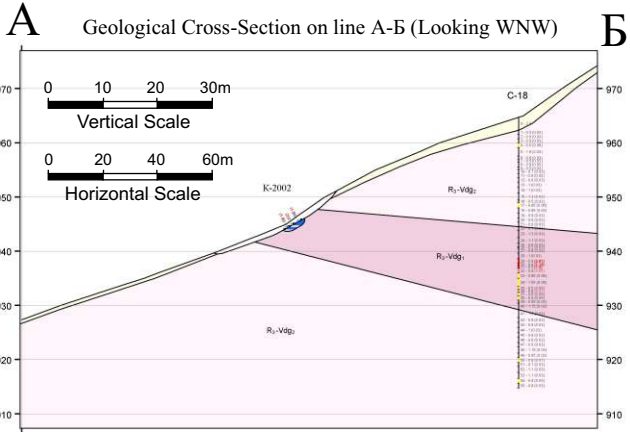
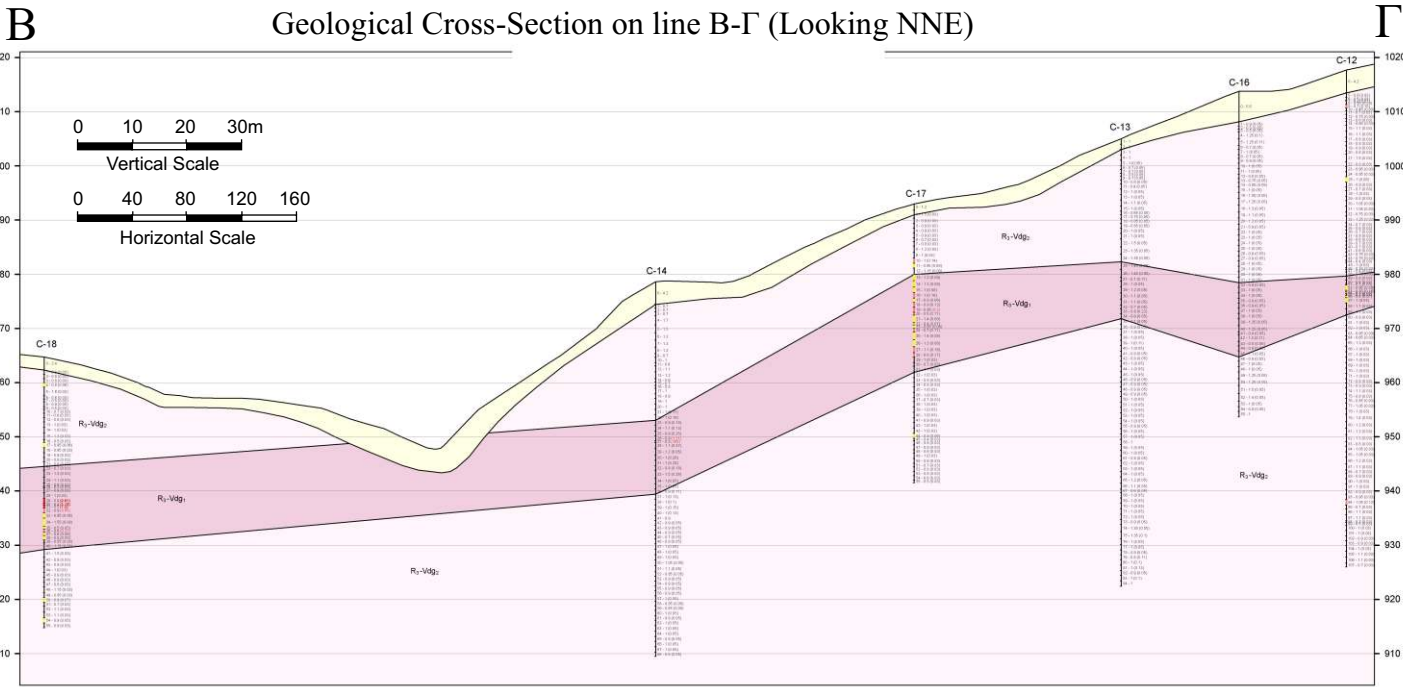
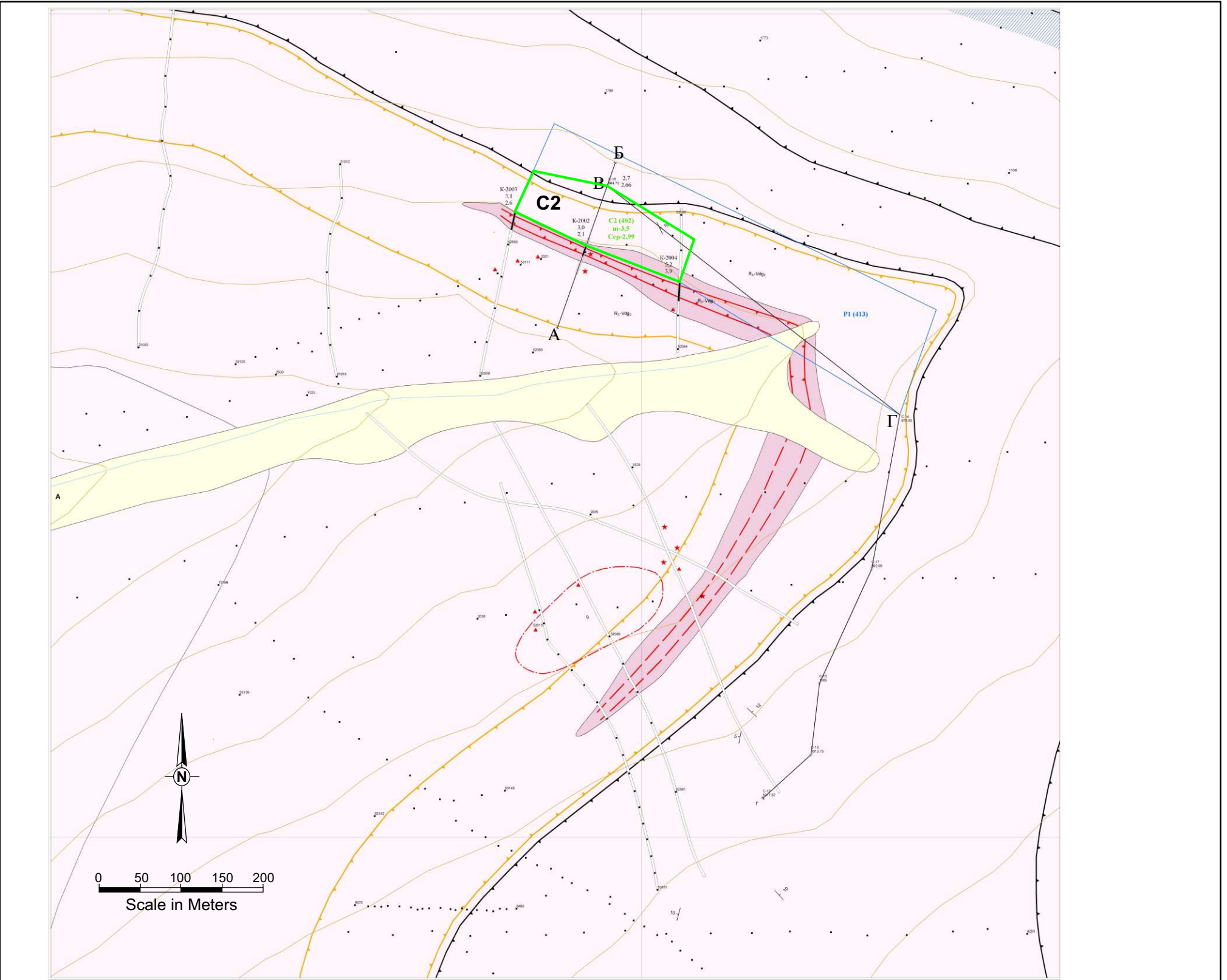
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FIGURE 9-3B
OZHERELIE ZONE I, GEOLOGY MAP
(EXPLANATION KEY)



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Executive A.I. Ivanov		Executive A.I. Ivanov	
Appendix № 15		Geological plan, plan of estimation of stocks and predictive resources of ore zone № 4	
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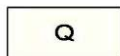
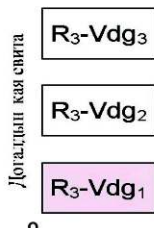
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FIGURE 9-4A
OZHERELIE ZONE 4, GEOLOGY MAP AND SECTIONS



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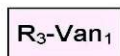
Upper Riphean - Vendian



Upper Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones light feldspar-quartz, low-power prolayers of slates, poorly carbonaceous.

Medium Dogaldyn subformation. Rhythmical alternation metasandstones calcareous and slates micaceous poorly carbonaceous

Lower Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones carbonaceous quartz-feldspar in rhythmical alternation with metaaleurolites and slates, carbonaceous, gradational lamination metasandstone-slate frequently occurs.



Anangr Suite. Lower Anangr subformation. Metasandstones quartz - feldspar, prolayers and layers of slates, poorly carbonaceous



Faults: a - mapped, 6 - hidden under Quaternary deposits, B - thrusts



Bedding, with dip



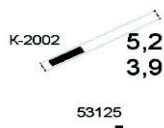
Quartz - albite metasomatites



Ore-controlling thrust zone of schistosity with gold-bearing brownspar-quartz mineralization



Boreholes of core drilling



Trenches, in black - areas of manual re-driving. Average contents of gold (denominator) and thickness of ore interval (numerator).

Prospect hole



Ore vein-string zones developed in bedrock deposition (a), on dealluvial fragments and schlich auras of gold (6)



Fragments of brownspar-quartz veins with visual gold

Fragments of brownspar-quartz veins



Schlich auras of gold in dealluvial (0,01-0,9 g/m)



Outline of Mineral resource blocks with estimated C2 resources.

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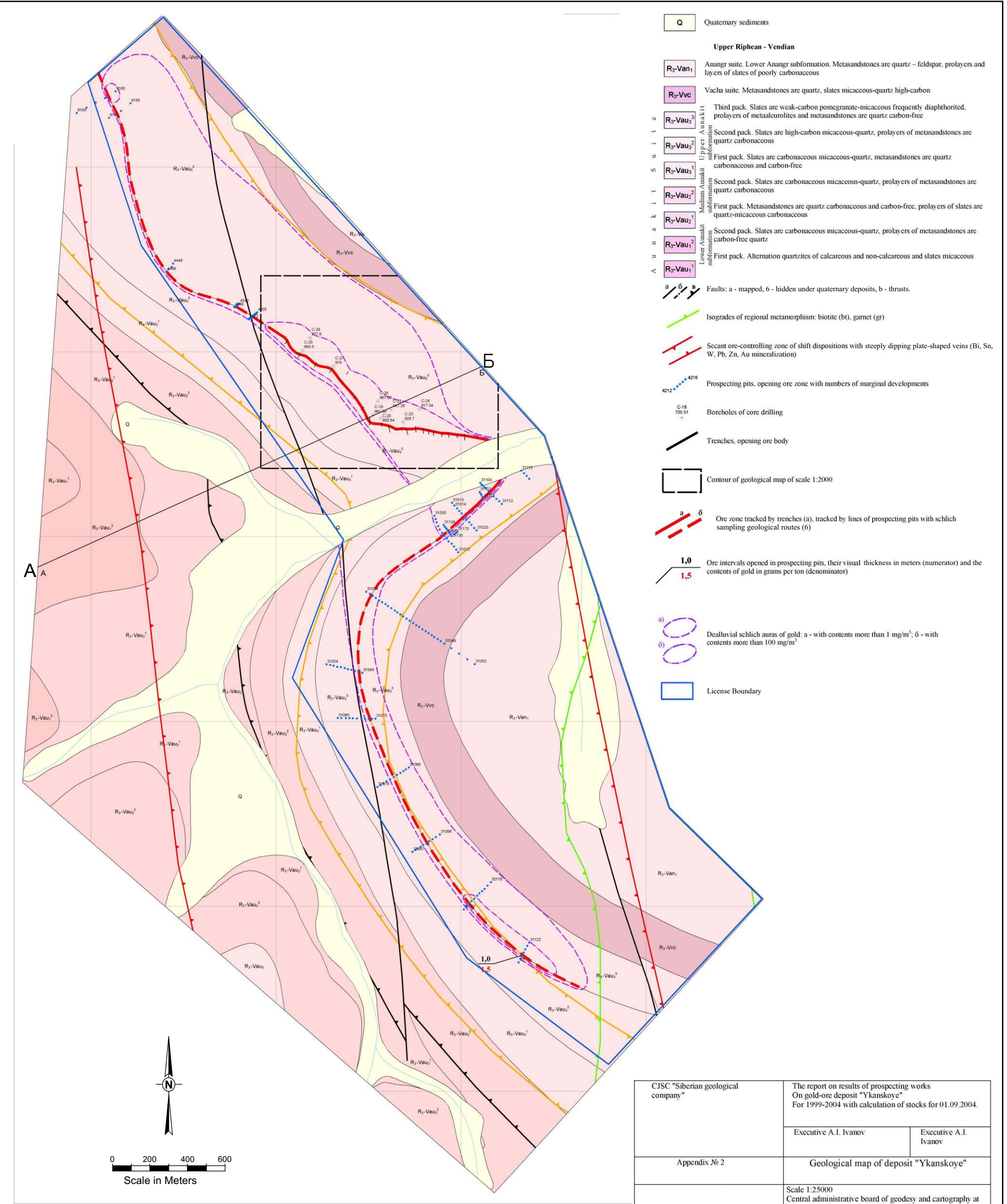
FIGURE 9-4B
OZHERELIE ZONE 4
GEOLOGY MAP AND SECTIONS
(EXPLANATION KEY)

9.2 Ykanskoye

Mineralization at Ykanskoye is hosted with a shallow dipping thrust zone dipping 12-14° to the NE over a width of 2.0 to 8.0m within a zone of intensely sericite-muscovite (\pm silicification and sulphides consisting of pyrite and pyrrhotite). An earlier stage quartz event occurs but is only weakly gold mineralized and previous prospecting focused on exploring this with limited success. This quartz event has a spatial relationship to the mineralized zone. The early mineralization event occurred during metamorphism and consisted is associated with chlorite and muscovite (\pm sericite).

The main gold mineralizing event occurred associated with regional granitic intrusions and thrusting with less quartz (silicification) and sulphides (pyrite and pyrrhotite). Peripheral to the mineralized zones occur minor arsenopyrite but arsenopyrite does not appear to host gold mineralization. Gold is visible in higher grade zones (+10g Au/t) but not generally coarse. Gold is not locked in sulphides but free milling and has a fineness of +950. Silver grades are less 1g/t.

The mineralized zone has been traced for approximately 6km of strike length and is open along strike and has been tested locally down dip from 100 to 300m, The zone remains open down dip along its entire strike length. Only 11 drill holes, totaling 475.7m, have been drilled into the zone.



10. EXPLORATION

ML conducted the exploration programs that discovered the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye gold deposits. Starting in 1999, ML maintained exploration expeditions (programs) in the area that includes the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye deposits. The exploration methodologies employed were similar for both deposits and the following is a discussion of those techniques. A major impediment to carrying out an effective exploration program in the Ykanskoye and Ozherelie areas, as in most of Russia, is the occurrence of permafrost. Sampling methodologies will be discussed in Section 12 of this report.

ML followed a systematic approach to exploration for the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye deposits that are probably a partial source for the large placer gold occurrences in the area. Recognizing that potential source for the placers were probably overlain by bogs and surficial deposits, often frozen, that mask Secondary Auriferous Dispersion (SAD) or dispersion halos of gold and trace elements. ML used a three stage process to identify and explore prospective areas. The work resulted in the identification of the 5 zones at Ozherelie and the Ykanskoye deposit. The three stages were: (1) predictive-metallogenic analysis of geological-geophysical information and choice of areas for prospecting; (2) the actual prospecting; and finally (3) estimating the resource. Appendix D contains a listing of the collar coordinates of the drill holes and the location coordinates of the trenches.

The following table (Table 10-1) documents the exploration efforts at Ozherelie to date.

Table 10-1 Ozherelie Exploration Summary

##	Types of Works	Quantity	Quantity	Years	Number of Samples
1	Core drilling	14 drill holes Zone 1 6 drill holes Zone 4	1317m	2003	1317
2	Cable tool Drilling (Amurets)	31 drill holes	403m	2006	444
3	BTS-150 (drilling- technical machine – <i>interpr.</i>)	25 drill holes	945m	2006	912
4	Trenches - bulldozer - manual	38 trenches 20 trenches	163307m ³ 6670m ³	2002-2004 2000-2005	1631
5	Bulldozer clearings	32km	112000m ³	1999-2004	
6	Prospect-holes - depth of 1 m - depth to 2,5 m	2510 ea. 720 ea.	Total 4310 m	1999-2004	Total: dot samples – 505 geochemical – 7379 schlich – 3288
7	Bulk samples	4 samples	5000t	2003-2004	
8	Technological samples	3 samples	145kg	2003-2004	

The following table (Table 10-2) documents the exploration efforts at Ykanskoye to date.

Table 10-2 Ykanskoye Exploration Summary

##	Types of Works	Quantity	Quantity	Years	Number of Samples
1	Core drilling	11 drill holes	476m	2003	410
2	Trenches - bulldozer - manual	28 trenches 5 trenches	5905m ³ 660m ³	2003 2000-2001	859
3	Prospect-holes - depth of 1m - depth to 2.5m	1030 ea. 106 ea.	Total 1293m	1999-2003	Total: chip samples – 22 geochemical -2856 schlich – 655
4	Technological samples	3 samples	110kg	2003	

10.1 Geologic Mapping

Local experience with the other hard rock gold deposits has led to recognition of the role of metamorphic facies changes in localizing the deposits. Limited outcrops in the area presented challenges to bringing the regional geologic picture into a local focus on specific areas. ML took advantage of results of early (pre-1960) prospecting for alluvial gold deposits. In the case of Ozherelie, the occurrence of alluvial gold stops immediately adjacent to Zone 2. There are no placer gold shows above that point.

10.2 Trenching

Trenching in areas of permafrost required opening of the area of the eventual trench to bedrock with a dozer, a waiting period during the summer months for thawing and deepening of the trench after thawing.

10.3 Geochemical Sampling

Test pits (prospect holes) of 1m and 2.5m in the cover provided points for geochem sampling. This is a common technique employed in the Bodaibo area. The primary guide to mineralization was the occurrence of gold in the test pit samples.

10.4 Geophysics

Ground magnetic surveys have proven effective in identifying geologic structures – faults and thrust plate edges.

According to Gary O'Connor and confirmed by William Crawl, the exploration programs were conducted according to norms of exploration activities conducted in Russia. The programs, although somewhat different procedurally from Western programs, are well founded, organized and very detail-oriented.

10.5 Bulk Sampling

At Ozherelie, ML has conducted 4 tests of bulk samples, variously testing the characteristics of the coarse gold mineralization and comparing trench sample analysis results with assays on core from the same location. A gravity recovery plant was constructed in 2003, which includes lines of ore preparation (jaw crusher, cone crusher and chain crusher) and concentration (sluices, jigs and tables) through which in 2003, 2,606t of mineralized material was processed. According to reports by ML, the operational experience of the complex has shown up to 70 – 80% of the coarse gold is caught by the sluice. Approximately 10 – 15% remains in the over-screen material of the jigs and the remaining gold is caught by the concentration tables and the Nelson concentrator. Both rich and poor ores were processed. The average recovered content of gold on all tests run through the gravity recovery plant (2,606 tons) was 2.75g/t, as defined by the results from the samples sent to the gold refinery. Average losses of gold in tails was reported to be 0.16g/t, yielding an average gold head grade of 2.91g/t, and an extraction rate of 94.5%.

In 2006, a 5000t bulk sample was taken from Zone 1 at Ozherelie. The sample was processed through the gravity recovery plant on site. Again, the sample was taken to assist in understanding the distribution of coarse gold mineralization recognized at Ozherelie. Among other tests, a 1177t sample was taken in the vicinity of core hole 29, 30 and 31. These holes had been drilled, each to a depth of 12m, in very close proximity to one another (1m). The average content of gold in these holes is 0.9g/t, whereas the average content of gold on trench samples in the wall of the open pit is 5.16g/t, and in the bulk sample (1177 t), 5.04g/t. The comparison of average gold content in core, trench and bulk samples is 1 : 5.73 : 5.61. Comparison of results of core, trench and bulk samples has shown sufficient comparative reliability of trench samples to bulk sample results and a lack of corresponding comparative reliability between the core holes and both the trench and bulk samples. The insufficiency of the core samples in predicting bulk sample grades is at least partially related to the prevalence of coarse gold in the mineralized zone. This characteristic has led ML to use the core drilling in Ozherelie Zone 1 for mineralized zone delineation only.

In all, the 5000t processed through the gravity plant has returned some 15kg of gold, yielding a calculated head grade of +3.0g/t gold.

11. DRILLING

11.1 Core Drilling

In 2003, for inclusion in the Russian resource estimation programs, diamond core drilling was done to produce core for sampling at both the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye deposits. The zone of mineralization in both project areas is relatively flat (7 and 12 degrees) and all holes were drilled vertical. Hole depths averaged approximately 60m, hence no down-hole surveying was conducted and all holes were assumed to be straight. Vertical drilling is quicker and easier however it is not generally recommended for mineralized areas. Some angle holes would be recommended to test for sub-vertical mineralization.

Standard Russian core drilling, core logging and core sampling procedures prescribed by the Government were strictly followed by ML. Core logging, operational and geological, was meticulous and accurate. Each hole has a journal allocated to it, recording all information about that hole, including, in most cases, transcription of assay results upon receipt of the reports from the laboratory. Split core is available for only one hole each, at both Ozherelie and Ykanskoye. The reason cited is that the non-uniform distribution of gold and the coarse nature of the gold particles. ML has taken the position that if only half core is submitted for analysis, there is a high likelihood that the reduced size sample will render the sample less representative of the gold mineralization intersected.

11.2 Non-Core Drilling Techniques

More recent drilling (2006; 25 holes for 945m), which is not to be included in any resource updates, was conducted at Ozherelie using new drilling methods. No new drilling was conducted at Ykanskoye during 2006. Due to the coarse nature of the gold and subsequent nugget effect it was decided to use a Russian-built BTS-150 conventional rotary air drill ("BTS"), rather than core drilling due to its larger diameter and subsequent sample size. The BTS method is essentially a rotating blade with the "chipped-off" rock then blown up the outside of the barrel and collected as sample. The weight of each sample collected per meter was weighed to measure "core-loss". The BTS drilling was designed to provide a quick and relatively inexpensive, spot view of the first few meters of bedrock at the drill site. It was very effectively used at Ozherelie in 2006 to define the subcrop of the shallow dipping ore zone in Zone 1. The air rotary cuttings are collected in a box, displaying the stratification seen in the hole. ML recognizes that the BTS drilling method does not yield quantitative samples, and the results have not been and will not be used in mineral resource calculations efforts.

For Zone 3 area at Ozherelie, a different system, referred to as a Cable-Tool in the West or Amurets in Russia, system of casing off the alluvium/colluvium was designed in order to penetrate or hit bed-rock to test for mineralization. Each meter was sampled and the "drilling" only just penetrated bedrock so did not test this to any degree. The drilling was designed to check for mineralized outcrop.

The surveying of drill hole locations and trench locations as well as compilation of detailed topographic maps was done by in-house, by ML surveyors. According to Gary O'Connor, this appears to be of good quality and standards. No field checks were conducted. At this stage of the program such issues are not considered material.

12. SAMPLING METHOD AND APPROACH

Gustavson did not independently re-sample or assay any of the samples comprising the historic data for Ozherelie or Ykanskoye. The following discussion of sampling methodology and approach is taken from ML reports and records of personal interviews and inspections by William Crowl and Gary O'Connor.

12.1 Channel Sampling and Core Sampling

A review of the channel sampling and core sampling procedures and inspection in the field found these to be of good standards. Channel sampling in trenches were of consistent size and sampled using a rock saw. They were of a uniform 10cm wide by 5cm deep and can be considered to adequately represent the material sampled. Channel and core samples were generally of 1m length unless major geological boundaries were met then shorter lengths were considered. Each sample consisted of some 35kg. Such a large sample is considered appropriate in sampling systems such as Ozherelie and Ykanskoye where free gold is the primary mineralization type. Each trench is mapped at a scale of 1cm = 0.5m. At this scale, the fine details of the geology are easily mapped. ML has retained all records of these trenches for future investigations.

For drill core, the entire core is sampled, with no half core retained, except for the representative half core from hole C-5 at Ozherelie and C-19 at Ykanskoye. A complete photographic record of the core from all of the holes is available in ML's office in Irkutsk. Future core drilling programs must consider retention of half core for compliance with Western industry practices.

12.2 Bulk Sampling

See Section 10.5 above.

13. SAMPLE PREPARATION, ANALYSES, AND SECURITY

13.1 Sample Preparation

Drilling and trench samples were prepared by ML at site. Trench samples are collected in bags, a numbered wood tag is inserted in the bag. The core samples are bagged, assigned a sample number and the from, to length of sample and weight is recorded at the rig. The core sample is then transported to the crushing facility at Ozherelie, as are the trench samples. Each entire sample is dried, weighed and crushed to 1mm and passed through a 1mm screen. Two duplicate 1kg splits are taken from this and transported to the laboratory for further processing. Sample preparation procedures and methods appear to be of good practice, however as the sample preparation was not in use at the time of the visit no checks were possible.

At Ozherelie, there were 33 samples that yielded coarse gold as oversize during the screening of the minus 1m fractions. This gold was collected and weighed. The assays returned from the laboratory were upgraded appropriately to reflect the content of coarse gold. It is reported that there was no oversize free gold in the Ykanskoye samples.

BTS drilling samples, taken at a standard 1m length, are weighed at the drill rig and upon arrival at the Ozherelie crusher. They are then treated identically to the core and trench samples.

13.2 Sample Analysis

Analysis was conducted at the Institute of Rare Metals in Irkutsk (IIRE), an analytical laboratory founded in 1871. The laboratory's web site is www.irgiredmet.ru. Each 1kg sample is pulverized to -0.0074mm and analyzed (50g Au fire assay) using industry standard fire assay techniques. The results of the two assays are compared. If they are within 20%, then the average is reported, if not, two more 50g charges are taken and assayed. This procedure is repeated until the values are within 20%.

13.3 Check and Duplicate Sampling/Preparation and Assaying

For approximately 3% of the samples, ML takes a duplicate split of the core, assigns a second number to the split and submits it for assay. If the analytical results are not within tolerances, the laboratory is asked to re-assay the sample interval. As another check, ML submits up to 3% of the sample pulps to IIRE as duplicates. And as a further check, termed Exterior Control, analysis was conducted on a representative number of samples (30 each from 5 grade ranges for a total of 150 samples at Ozherelie) at a corresponding institute laboratory in the neighboring state. The standard Russian procedure of submitting 5% of samples as duplicates for analysis was done. No external standards or blanks were submitted as these are done by the laboratory. Under Russian regulations, the laboratory is required to perform quality control. While the procedures used are different than International practices and might not pass Western "Best Practice" QA/QC procedures, it is considered that the analysis done and assays used would be considered to accurately reflect the gold content of the samples analyzed. However no review of the data

base nor due diligence of the accuracy and precision of results was conducted. In reality, there are times where there are not a sufficient number of samples in each category to allow full compliance with the mandated protocol, but there is always an effort made to comply.

Gustavson visited the IIRE laboratory in February, 2007 in the company of Dr. Ivanov, Messrs. M. Kurani and A. Popov. Discussions were held with the management of the laboratory and a tour of the facility revealed that the lab is in good order. The laboratory participates in international round robin analytical programs and appears to operate at a competency level equal to similar laboratories outside Russia.

13.4 Security

The following is a translation of a document received from Dr. Ivanov, describing the security arrangements in place at the Ykanskoye and Ozherelie projects during the processing of samples:

"The entire effort of processing of bulk samples was supervised by the security service of Closed Joint-Stock Company "Nedra Bodaibo", which built the plant and carried out the processing of bulk samples on it.

Employees of the security service report to a department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Bodaibo.

All employees allowed to participate in the processing of gold had corresponding credentials.

According to the requirements of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, sealing of all sites where gold accumulated was obligatory and carried out. Crushing and collection of gold was carried out by corresponding employees of security service, gold-bearing heavy fraction was placed in special metal containers and was transported by special transport to GPC (gold-processing complex), according to requirements.

CJSC "Nedra Bodaibo" – especially protected the gold according to requirements of the Ministry of Internal Affairs. The "pure" gold was separated and was delivered in special containers by the specialized collector state service of the refining factory.

CJSC "Nedra Bodaibo" itself recognized that placer gold varied from the gold of the "Ozherelie" deposit, not only on morphology (placer gold is rolled and eroded to a high degree), but also on fineness. Fineness of the gold of "Ozherelie" is much higher than fineness of placer gold (accordingly 940 and 900) and it is impossible to "dilute" by placer gold without change of its characteristics, which is recognizable."

Gustavson had no opportunity to examine the security arrangements first hand, as the plant was not in operation at the time of the visit. The above description does, in fact, describe a security scheme that on it's face is adequate for the exploration programs of ML.

14. DATA VERIFICATION

Gustavson has not independently conducted any title or other searches, but has relied upon Sutcliffe for information on the status of the claims, property title, agreements, and other pertinent conditions. In addition, Gustavson has not independently conducted any mining, processing, or economic studies, or permitting and environmental studies.

14.1 Verification of Geologic Data

Gustavson has met with Dr. Ivanov and reviewed the geological data collected by ML on both the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye properties. In addition, geological core logs and related data were reviewed on plan maps and sections for consistency of interpretation and accuracy of data entry and plotting. Finally, Dr. Ivanov led the site visits in February, 2007 as well as the visit by Gary O'Connor in August, 2006.

Representative drill logs were reviewed for both properties. Data posting was checked on several cross sections and plan maps. As there is minimal core remaining from the drilling campaigns, no actual comparison was possible between the core logs and actual core.

Gustavson has no reason to believe that the data as presented are not representative of all of the previous geologic work completed. Gustavson found no material errors associated with the drill logs in their review.

14.2 Verification of Analytical Data

Neither Gustavson nor Sutcliffe has completed any independent sampling and/or confirmatory geologic logging of core. Future rounds of evaluation of the existing data may involve re-assaying sample pulps and rejects, if available.

Gustavson has no reason to doubt the validity of the data presented in this report, as it has been generated under a strict set of protocols and developed by ML, an experienced Russian exploration company and analyses were carried out by respected analytical laboratories.

15. ADJACENT PROPERTIES

There are no immediately adjacent non-alluvial gold properties in the vicinity of Ozherelie and Ykanskoye. Marakan Mining is conducting alluvial gold mining on land adjacent to the hard rock deposits at Ozherelie.

The Sukhoi Log gold deposit, geologically similar to the Ykanskoye deposit is located some 35km from Ykanskoye. The following is an abbreviated version of a discussion of the Sukhoi Log deposit provided by Dr. B.L. Wood. Statements of resource estimates are included for information only and are not NI43-101 compliant and should not be directly related to Sutcliffe's Ozherelie and Ykanskoye projects.

The Sukhoi Log gold deposit is centrally located in the Lena goldfield region, approximately 850 km NE of the city of Irkutsk, and is hosted in Upper Proterozoic marine sandstone, carbonaceous slate and phyllite, metamorphosed to low greenschist facies in an outlying part of the major Akitkan Foldbelt. The disseminated pyritic orebody is defined solely by assay grades, is tabular in form and is located in the axial zone of a large, near-isoclinal, reclining anticline. Highest ore grades occur in pyritic black shale beds, especially where they cross the axial zone, and form two elongate higher grade (4 - 9 g/t gold) cylindrical zones, termed ore pillars, along the gently plunging anticlinal crest. The anticline is exposed E-W over a length of 3 km and plunges at approximately 10 degrees NW. The axial plane and orebody dip 15N, and the latter is open to depth beyond 400 m.

The mineralisation assemblage is consistently quartz-pyrite-gold carbonate with minor base and platinum group metals, and low levels of arsenic and base metals. Pyrite is widely distributed in black shale throughout the deposit, at between 2 and 5 percent, and in lesser amounts in a disseminated envelope around the orebody. In the outer parts of the orebody and in the enclosing mineralisation envelope it contains gold of higher fineness (900-920), whereas clustered and veinlet pyrite is more common in the interior productive zone, with gold of lower fineness (840-880).

The deposit was intensively explored from October 1971 to December 1977. The geological ore reserve was estimated to a cutoff grade of 1 g/t gold, and is an elongate irregular planoconvex sheet up to 140 m thick, dipping NNE at 150 to 300, with a length of 2.2 km, a down dip width of more than 500 m, and is probably open to depth. The main orebody has a geological reserve, at a 1 g/t Au cutoff, of 384 million tonnes with an average grade of 2.5 to 2.7 grams per tonne. Additional resources include 165 million t at 2.0 to 2.3 g/t in a low grad., possible pit extension, and 205 million t at 0.8 g/t in the mineralisation envelope.

Sequences of pyrite-gold paragenesis, of textural and structural changes, and limited isotope data indicate that four distinct stages of mineralisation occurred during the final accretion, ridge-subduction, and Riphean closure of the major Proterozoic Akitkan Foldbelt.,

Synsedimentary, syndiagenetic mineralisation of finely disseminated pyrite (Pyrite 1) in anoxic carbonaceous pelitic sediments, by density stratified metalliferous brines, sourced from Au-bearing, deep crustal hydrothermal fluids, and by PGM-bearing mantle-sourced fluids through rift basin extensional faults.

Mineralisation with gold of lower fineness in coarser pyrite (Pyrite 2), accompanying ductile synmetamorphic, large-scale flexural slip folding (F1), with pervasive fluid transport of gold, PGM, and other metals into the anticlinal hinge region.

Post-metamorphic non-penetrative small-scale flexural folding (F2) occurred, with local segregations of small high-grade quartz-gold veins in hinge zones and elsewhere non-pervasive, small irregular quartz-pyrite-gold-carbonate veinlets in clusters , and scattered pyrite porphyroblasts with quartz pressure rims (all Pyrite 2). Followed by a generation of coarsely porphyroblastic, low gold pyrite in large clusters without quartz (Pyrite 3).

Late stage, large and lengthy, widely spaced, tensional, low grade mesothermal quartz-gold veins, transgressive through the main orebody but probably sourced from it.

16. MINERAL PROCESSING AND METALLURGICAL TESTING

16.1 Ozherelie

Metallurgical test work conducted consisting of a gravity circuit including jigs, Wilfley concentrating tables and Nelson concentrators recovered 90.6% of the gold on samples averaging 3.5g Au /t. Some gravity sampling and processing (see Section 10.5) conducted by ML returned total recoveries of to 94.5% Au on samples grading 2.91 g Au /t. Direct cyanidation reportedly resulted in recoveries of up to 99.5% Au recovery. Gold had a fineness of 945-966.

Based on a limited review of the Ozherelie metallurgical test data, Gustavson considers that the samples were probably representative. The testing will be expanded in the next rounds of exploration. Given the coarse nature of the gold particles at Ozherelie the results are reasonable.

16.2 Ykanskoye

Two test samples were sent to IIRE an independent company for metallurgical test work. One consisted of 80kg and the other of 15kg. Results from metallurgical test work including jigging, concentrate tabling followed by Nelson concentrating, returned recoveries of up to 95.6%. Direct cyanide leaching returned recoveries of up to 99.0%.

The standard gravity circuit (Jigs and tables) on a sample grading 4.7g Au /t achieved 86.61% Au recovery.

Based on a limited review of the Ykanskoye metallurgical test data, Gustavson considers that the tests described above were conducted on representative samples from the Ykanskoye mineralization. The testing will be expanded in the next rounds of exploration.

17. MINERAL RESOURCE AND MINERAL RESERVE ESTIMATES

17.1 Introduction

Resource estimates prepared by ML at Ozherelie and Ykanskoye in 2004 used standard Russian methodologies. For Ozherelie Zone 1, cross sections were drawn at appropriate intervals. On these cross-sections were displayed topography, traces of drill holes/trenches and the accompanying assays for each trench and drill hole. The top and bottom of the mineralized zone was delineated using geology and assay results. Areas on the sections were named for the level of confidence the investigators had for the mineralization depicted therein – in this case as C1 and C2. The area C1 is representative of a zone of higher geological confidence and C2 somewhat less.

At Ozherelie Zone 4 and Ykanskoye, the average vertical thickness was calculated for the most prospective and sampled parts of the prospects and a mineralized horizontal envelope in the plane of the mineralized zone was drawn and the area measured. The two figures were multiplied to yield a volume, which was converted to a tonnage using the specific gravity (bulk density). The grade assigned to the tonnage is the weighted average gold grade of the assays inside the mineralized area above a cutoff grade.

The designations C1 and C2 originate in the Russian resource classification system. However, for the purposes of this report, these designations can be taken as simply a breakdown of the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye prospect into polygonal blocks for estimation purposes.

Stephen Henley has written a comprehensive article on the subject of Russian mineral reporting, that is included here in Appendix C.

17.2 Ozherelie Resource Estimates

For Ozherelie Zone 1, the assays were composited in intervals of 3m or more, for both material above a 1g Au/t cutoff grade and below. The weighted average gold grade of the 3m or greater intersections was calculated for the sections. Then, a Mineralization Factor (MF) was calculated for each of the sections, equaling the ratio of the greater than 1g Au/t composited material to the total length within the mineralized zone. Finally, the vertical thickness of the mineralized zone on each section was calculated, based on the slope angle of the trench. Based on the results seen in the core holes, where smaller sampling cross-sectional area appears to have under-reported the coarse gold in the immediate vicinity, only geology was used from the core hole record, not the MF or Au grades.

Figure 17-1 shows the location of the sections and Figure 17-2, Figure 17-3, Figure 17-4, Figure 17-5, Figure 17-6 and Figure 17-7 are the cross sections for Zone 1 at Ozherelie. The C1 areas are colored pink and the C2 areas are colored light blue. For Zone 4, Figure 17-8 shows the area designated as C2.

The areas on the vertical section for C1 and C2 at Zone 1 were measured. End area calculation methods were used to calculate volumes between the adjoining sections. For Section L1 the end area was projected 20m West. For Zone 4, the C2 area was defined in plan using the results of

drilling, trenching and geological projection down dip. C1 areas and volumes (and tonnages) are exclusive of one another.

The specific gravity (SG) measurements used in the resource tonnage estimations were calculated by measuring the length of the core, weighing the sample and using 61mm as the diameter of the core (HQ size) and then back-calculating the SG using the formula for a cylinder. The method assumes that the core stays at 61mm, but in reality drill core bits often move and the core diameter can be slightly smaller than the size of the bit. This however would mean that the SG measurements may be slightly on the conservative size. It was reported that more than 100 samples were measured for each type of sample but this could not be verified. Additionally, ML reports that it has a large database for the entire region and that the variance around 2.7 is very small. The SG used would appear to accurately reflect the true value and potentially yield conservative tonnage estimates.

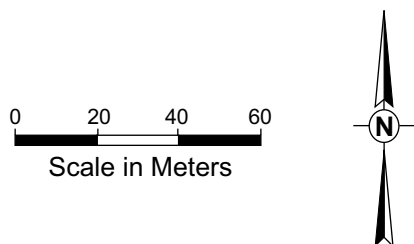
The results of the calculations of resources for Ozherelie Zones 1 and 4 (Areas C1 for Zone 1 and C2 in both Zones) are as follows (Table 17-1). In all cases, the SG used was 2.7 and the average silver grade is <1 g/t and not estimated. The minimum length of composites used is 3.0m and maximum internal dilution is 3.0m. The cut-off is 1.0 g/t Au. These resources, at this point non-CIM compliant mineral resources (see Section 17.2.1), are as presented by ML (A.I. Ivanov) in their resource report dated September 1, 2004, were approved in a report (#639K) dated November 12, 2004 by the regional agency, TKZ “Irkutsknedra”, authored by V.A. Mordvin.

Table 17-1 Ozherelie Resource Estimates, Zones 1 and 4

Category	Tonnes (t)	Grade (Au)	Contained Au (Oz)	Contained Au (t)
Zone 1				
C1	106,363	4.93 g/t	16,881	0.525
C2	807,969	3.63 g/t	94,340	2.934
C1 + C2	914,332	3.78 g/t	111,221	3.459
Zone 4				
C2	134,484	2.99 g/t	12,926	0.402
Total Ozherelie C1+C2	1,048,816	3.68	124,134	3.861



A
B
See Figure 9-1
for section view



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	Executive A.I. Ivanov	Year of submission 2004
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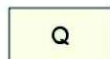
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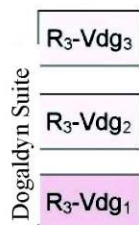
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FIGURE 17-1A
OZHERELIE ZONE I
CROSS SECTION LOCATIONS
DRILL HOLES & TRENCHES



Quaternary sediments

Upper Riphean - Vendian



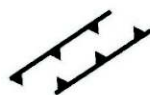
Upper Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones light feldspar-quartz, low-power prolayers of slates poorly carbonaceous

Medium Dogaldyn subformation. Rhythmical alternation of lime metasandstones and micaceous slates is poorly carbonaceous

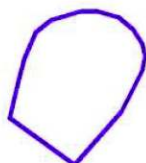
Lower Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones are carbonaceous quartz - feldspar in rhythmical alternation with metaaleurolites and slates carbonaceous, gradational lamination metasandstone-slate is frequently occurred



Faults: a - mapped, b - hidden under quaternary deposits, B - thrusts



Zone of upthrust with plastic (flexural) deformation



Contour of open pit



Prospecting line and its number



Trenches



Trenches

C-1

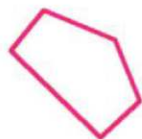
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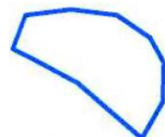
Mineralized zone № 1



Ore zone № 1 (a), including blocked by quaternary deposits (b)



Horizontal projection of block C₁



Horizontal projection of block C₂

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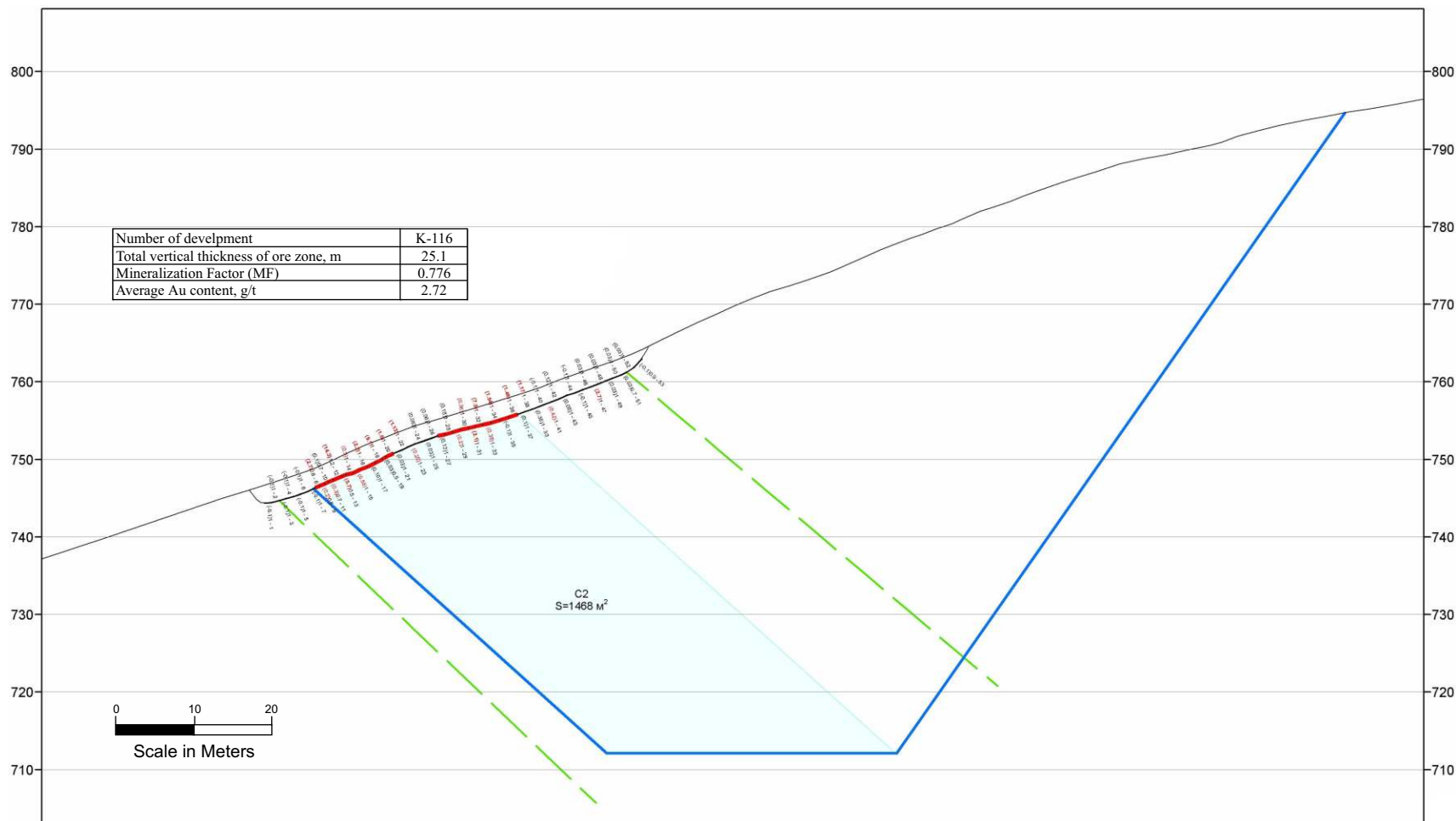
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FIGURE 17-1B
OZHERELIE ZONE I
(EXPLANATION KEY)



Legend to sections

- Borders of mineralized zone
- Borders of open pit
- Ore zone:**
 - C₁ Borders of estimated block C₁, area of section
 - C₂ Borders of estimated block C₂, area of section



Boreholes their numbers, depth

Number of sample, length of sample, content of gold g/t; in red – intervals with average content > 1 g/t

Other legends on app. 5

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Geological section on line JI-I

Scale 1:25000
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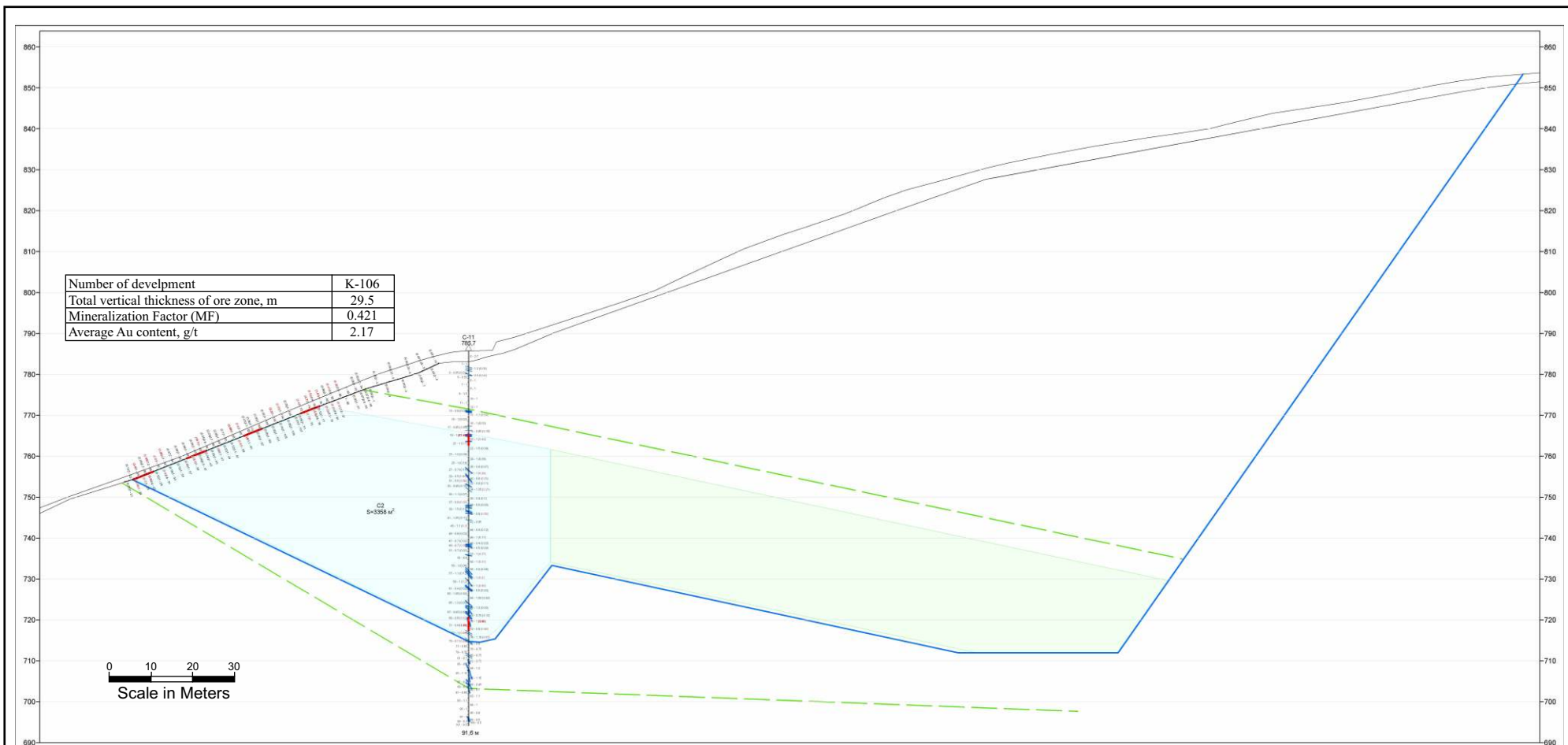
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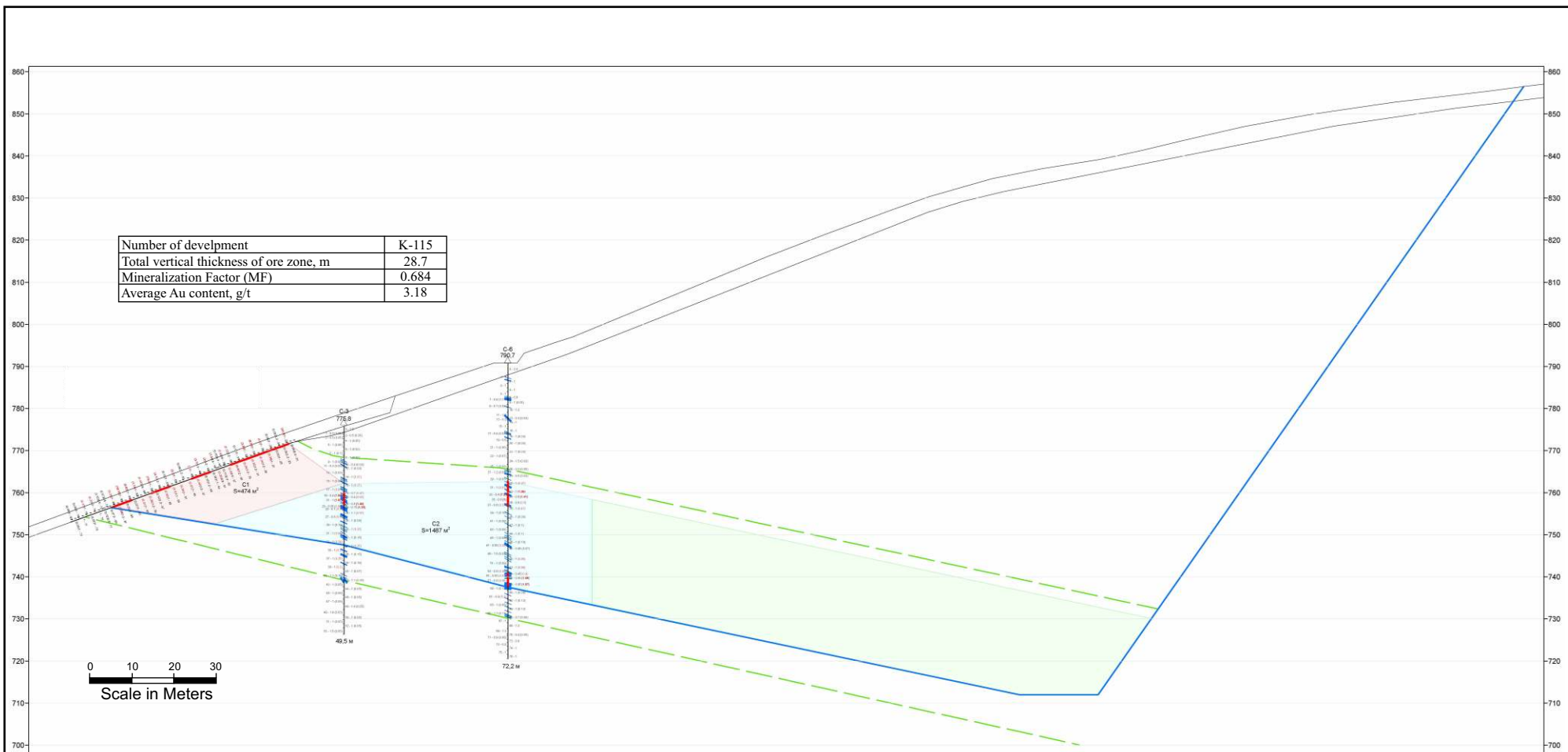
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FIGURE 17-2
OZHERELIE ZONE I CROSS SECTION L1



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Legend to sections

— Borders of mineralized zone

— Borders of open pit

Ore zone:

C₁ Borders of estimated block C₁, area of section

C₂ Borders of estimated block C₂, area of section

C-3
B.3 M

Boreholes their numbers, depth

31-1(0.54)

Number of sample, length of sample,
content of gold g/t; in red – intervals
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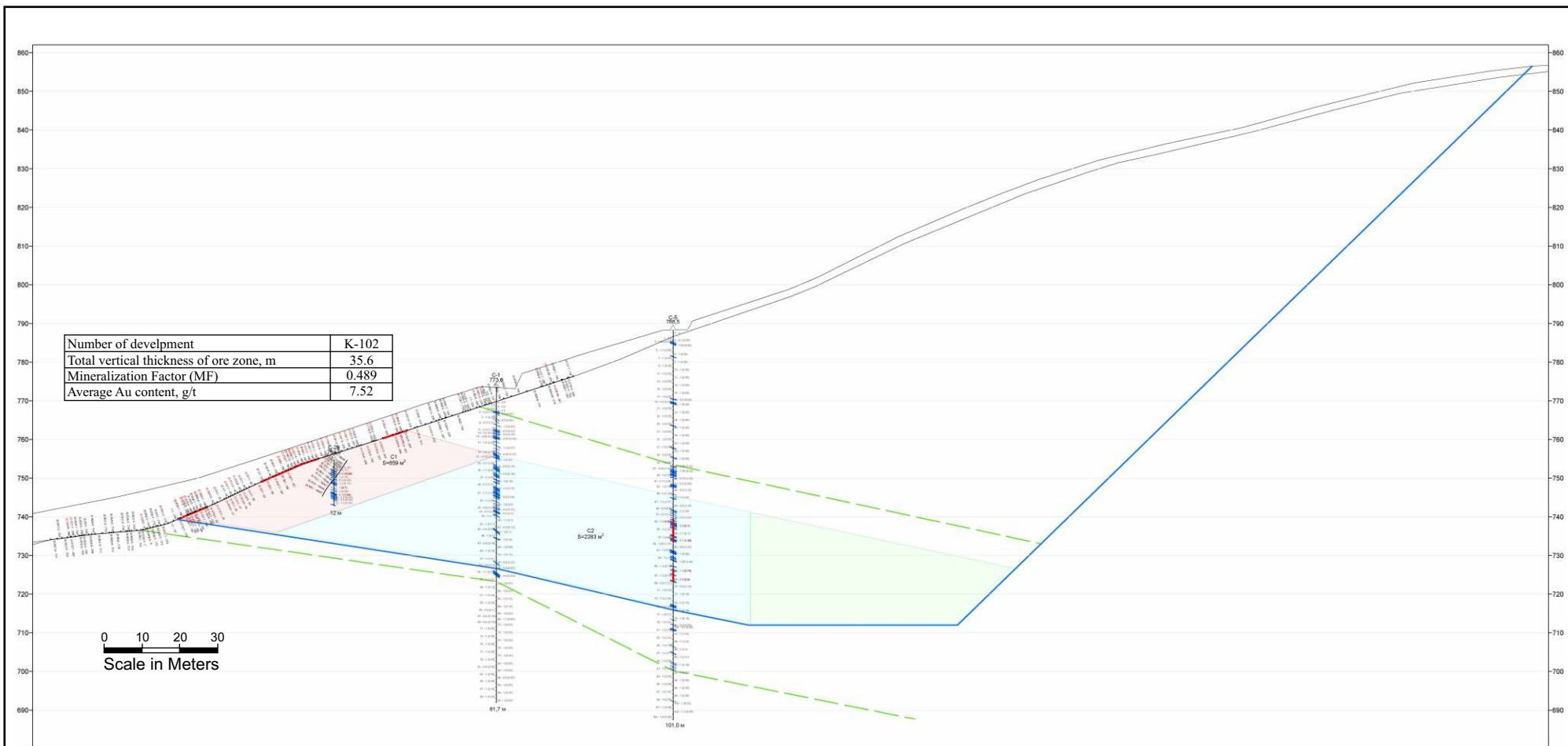
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FIGURE 17-4
OZHERELIE ZONE | CROSS SECTION L3



Legend to sections

— Borders of mineralized zone

— Borders of open pit

Ore zone:

C₁ Borders of estimated block C₁, area of section

C₂ Borders of estimated block C₂, area of section

C-3
B.3 m

Boreholes their numbers, depth

31-1(0,54)

Number of sample, length of sample, content of gold g/t; in red – intervals with average content > 1 g/t

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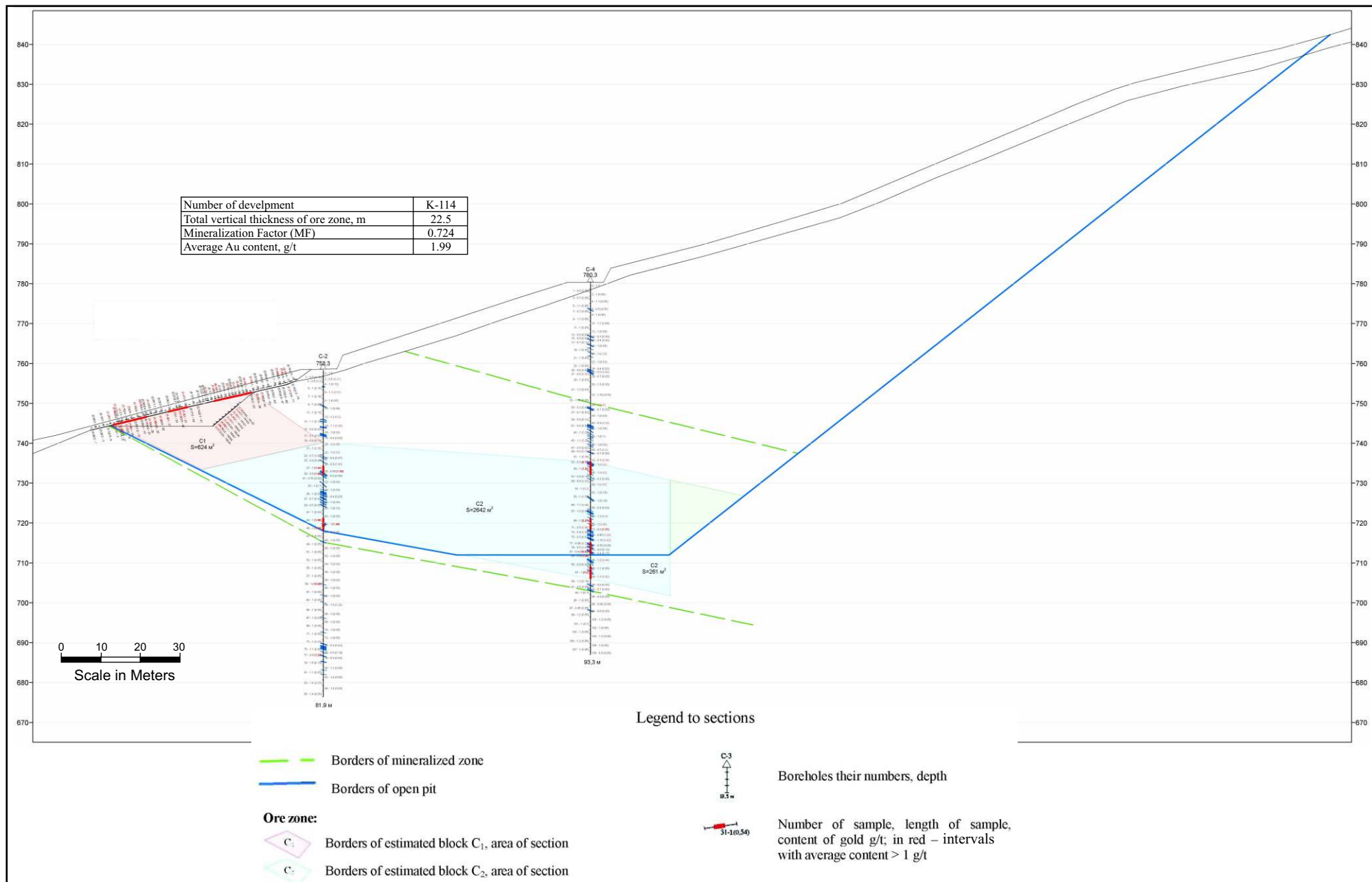
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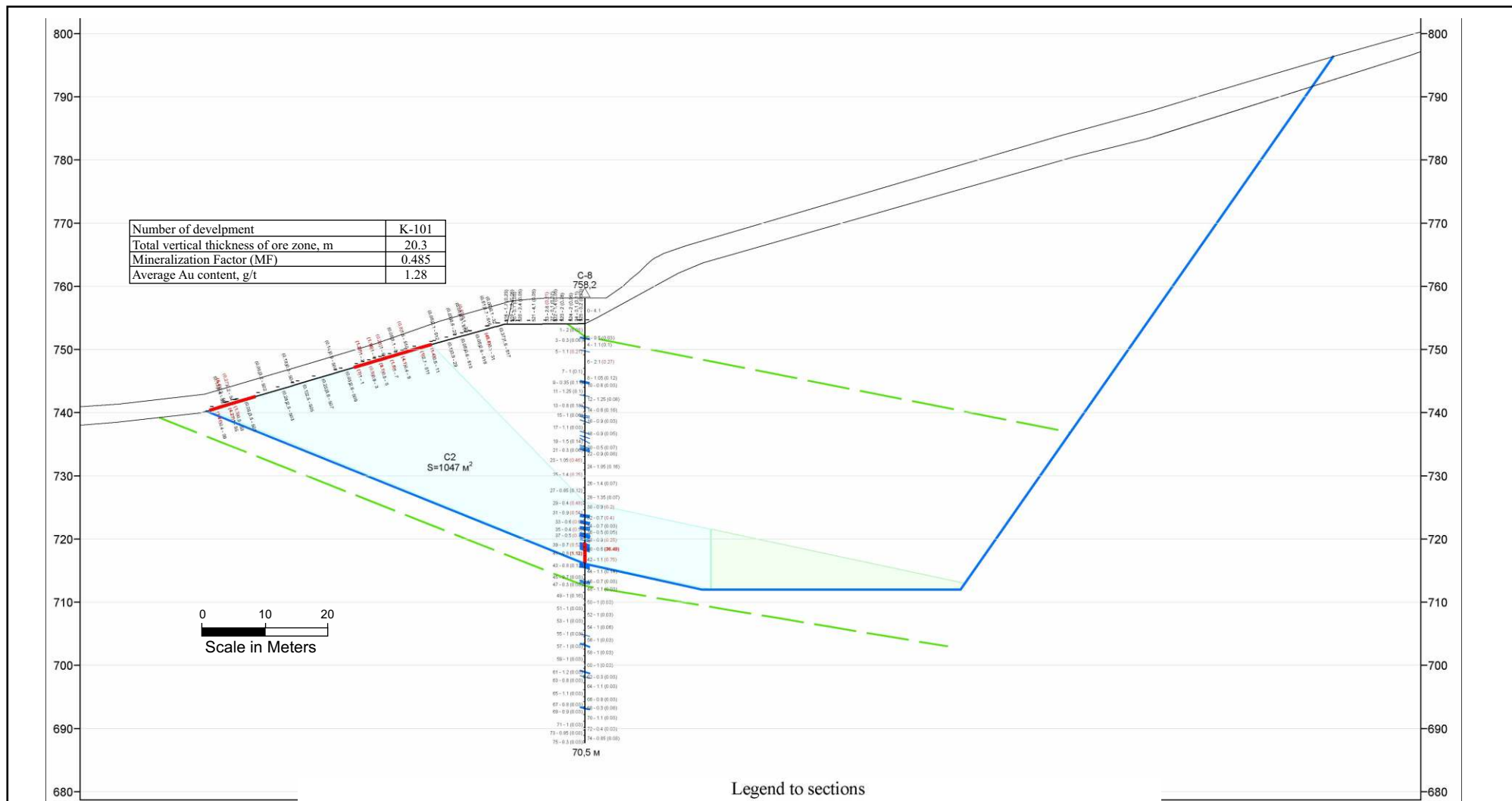
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OZHERELIE ZONE | CROSS SECTION L4



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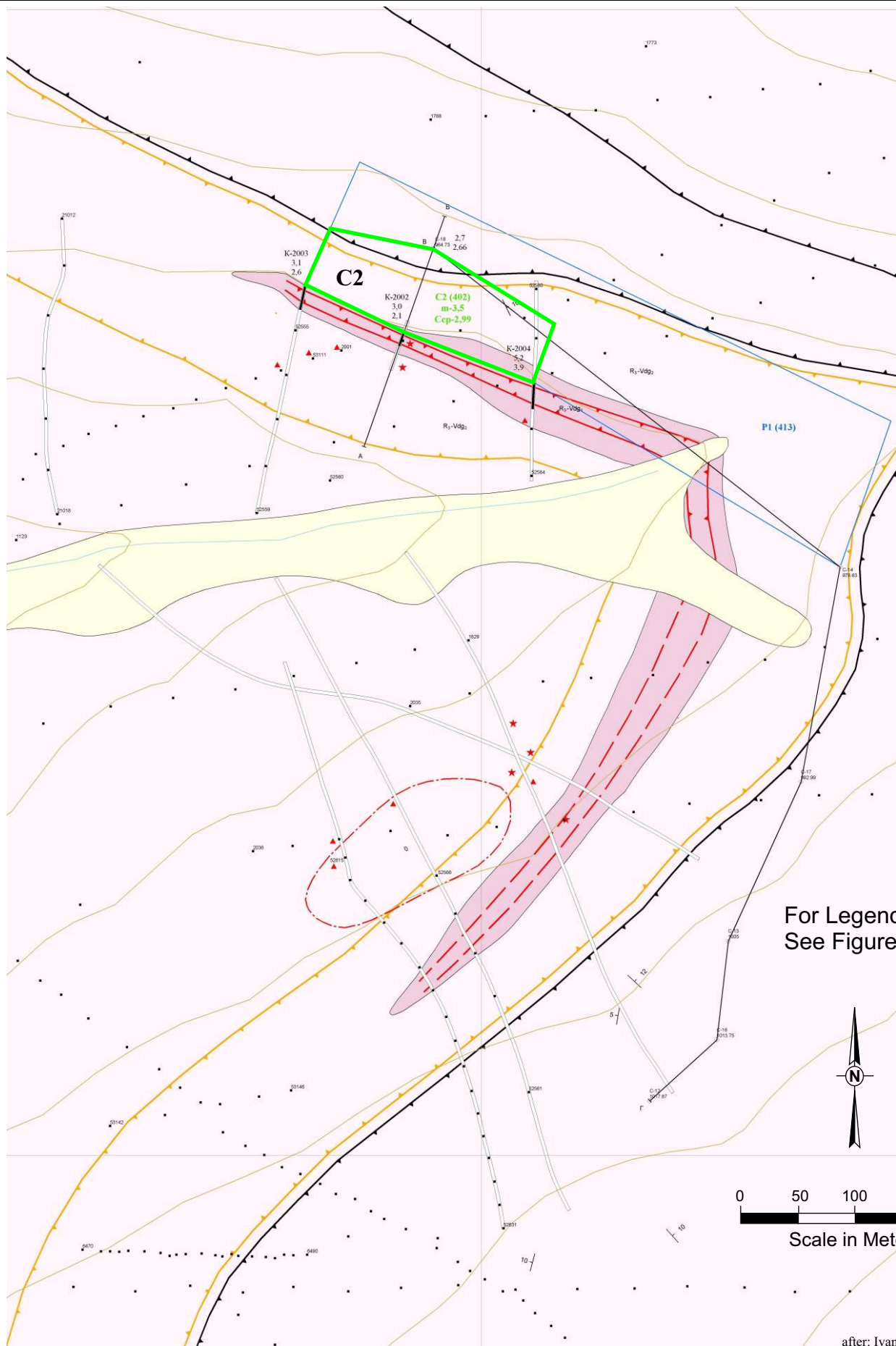
FIGURE 17-6
OZHERELIE ZONE | CROSS SECTION L5



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FIGURE 17-7
OZHERELIE ZONE | CROSS SECTION L6



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FIGURE 17-8
OZHERELIE ZONE 4, GEOLOGIC MAP,
AND RESOURCE BLOCKS

17.2.1 Ozherelie Mineral Resource Classification

Gustavson has reviewed the protocols of the ML exploration program, the results of that program, the geology and mineralization data and the methodologies employed in the Ozherelie C1 and C2 resource estimates described above. Whereas the data collected has not been collected with an eye toward compliance with western standards (i.e. quality control and quality assurance), the protocols rigorously employed were those mandated by the government of Russia. The Russian protocols are strict and comprehensive, dealing with nearly the same issues as the western industry standards, but with differences in terms of core and sample retention, submission of blanks, standards and duplicates, etc. The geological investigations were thorough and well documented.

Gustavson considers that the Ozherelie C1 and C2 mineral resources as estimated by ML and approved by TKZ “Irkutsknedra”, can be classified and reported as Inferred Mineral Resources as defined by the CIM. Gustavson considers that these Inferred Mineral Resources are NI43-101 compliant.

The CIM definition for Inferred Mineral Resources is as follows:

“An ‘Inferred Mineral Resource’ is that part of a Mineral Resource for which quantity and grade or quality can be estimated on the basis of geological evidence and limited sampling and reasonably assumed, but not verified, geological and grade continuity. The estimate is based on limited information and sampling gathered through appropriate techniques from locations such as outcrops, trenches, pits, workings and drill holes.”

“Due to the uncertainty that may be attached to Inferred Mineral Resources, it cannot be assumed that all or any part of an Inferred Mineral Resource will be upgraded to an Indicated or Measured Mineral Resource as a result of continued exploration. Confidence in the estimate is insufficient to allow the meaningful application of technical and economic parameters or to enable an evaluation of economic viability worthy of public disclosure. Inferred Mineral Resources must be excluded from estimates forming the basis of feasibility or other economic studies.”

The geological evidence and “limited” sampling has demonstrated geological and grade continuity in Zone 1 at Ozherelie and less so in Zone 4. The tighter spaced drilling and trenching, plus eventual underground testing of the zones planned for the next 2 to 3 years (under NI43-101 standards) by Sutcliffe may provide sufficient verification to upgrade the Inferred Mineral Resource estimates to categories of higher confidence, namely Indicated and/or Measured Mineral Resources.

At Ozherelie, there are large, untested areas along strike and down dip of the identified Zones with the geological potential to significantly expand the mineral resources beyond the current level. This is discussed further in Sections 19 and 20 in the context of Conclusions and the future exploration program.

Of note is the coarse nature of the gold mineralization at Ozherelie, where the up to 70% of the native gold particles are reported to be greater than 1.0mm in diameter. The coarse nature of the

gold has been taken into account by the Russian investigators in their resource estimate for Zone 1, C1 where they did not use the assay values from the core holes, only the geological contact recognized in the core holes, citing the non-representative nature of the “small” core hole samples. Exclusion of data can be appropriate or inappropriate, depending on circumstances in each estimate. Gustavson considers that exclusion in this case, on a limited basis, is not critical to the quantum of the reported resource estimate. However, Sutcliffe must, as part of their on-going exploration efforts at Ozherelie, formalize resource modeling protocols that fully explain the rationale for data inclusion/exclusion.

17.3 Ykanskoye Resource Estimates

Using the same methodology as used at Ozherelie Zone 4, resources were estimated. Figure 17-9 shows the C1 area, delimited by surface trenches and core holes. The C2 area is shown also and is exclusive of the C1 area.

These resources, at this point non-CIM compliant mineral resources (see Section 17.3.1), are as presented by ML (A.I. Ivanov) in their resource report dated September 1, 2004, were approved in a report (#640K) dated November 12, 2004 by the regional agency, TKZ “Irkutsknedra”, authored by V.A. Mordvin, are summarized below (Table 17-2). The SG used was 2.7, the average silver grade is <1 g/t and not estimated. The minimum length of composites used is 3.0m and maximum internal dilution is 3.0m. The cut-off is 1.0 g/t Au.

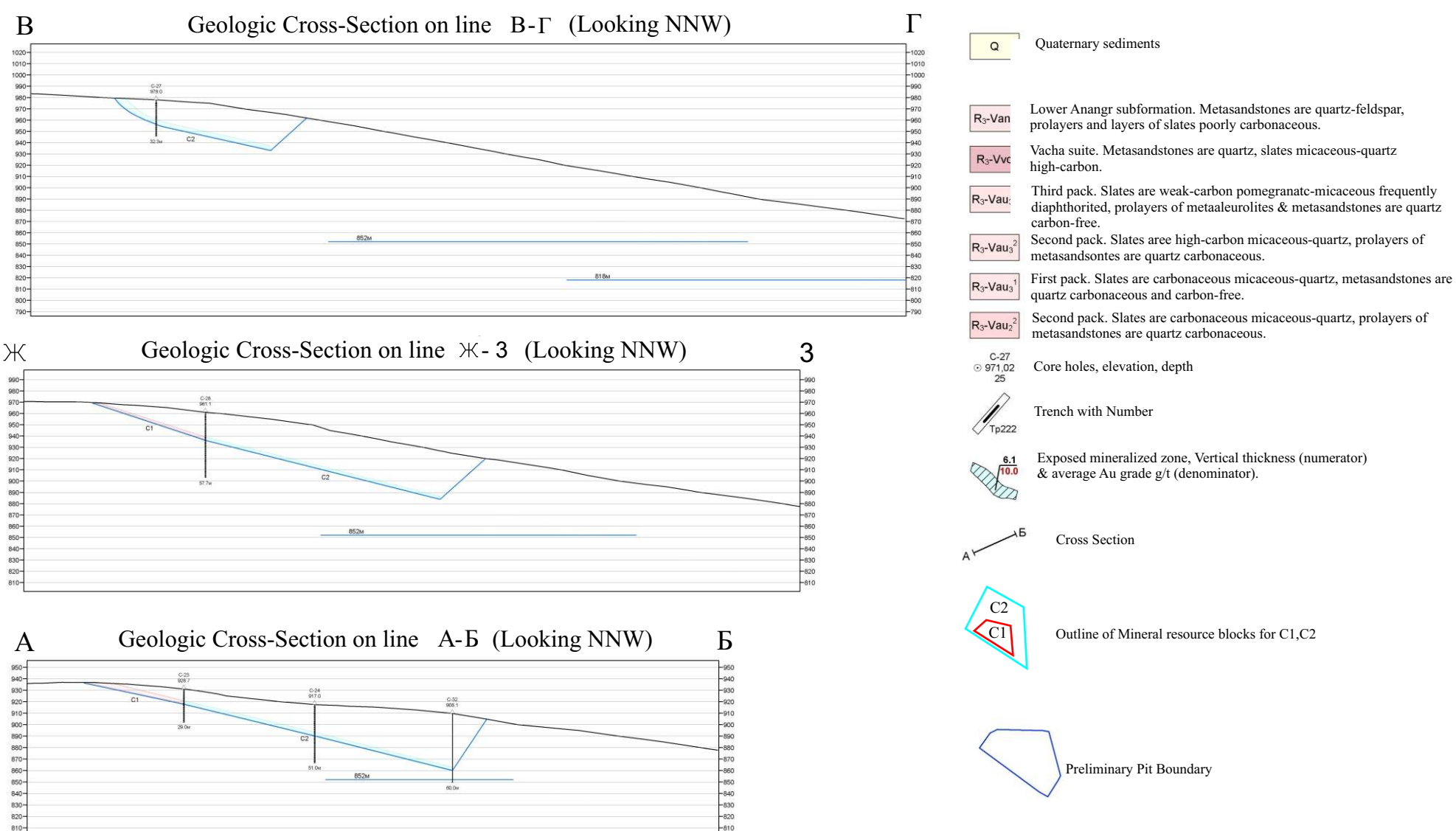
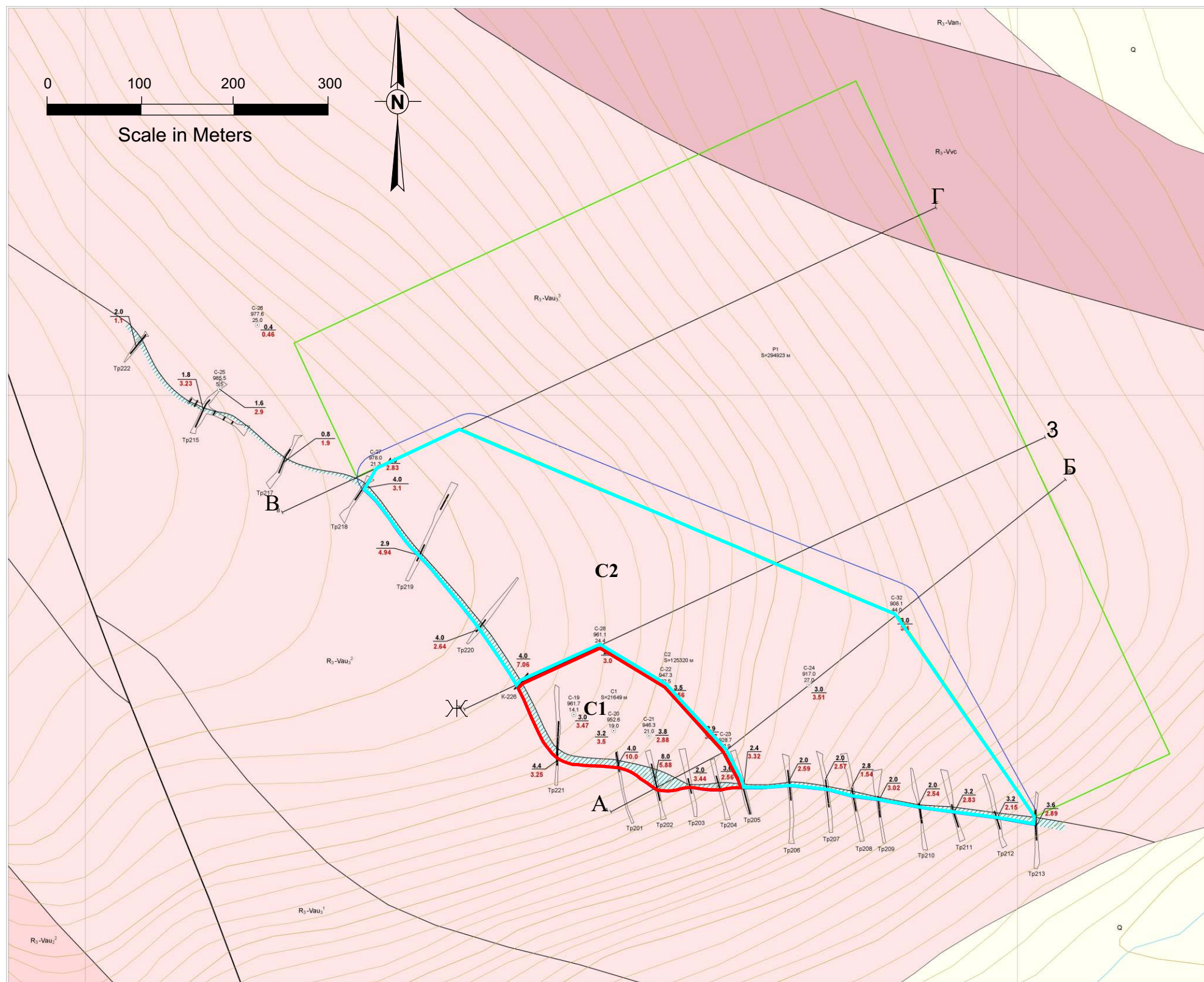
Table 17-2 Ykanskoye Mineral Resource Estimates

Category	Tonnes (t)	Grade (Au)	Contained Au (Oz)	Contained Au (t)
C 1	213,935	4.50 g/t	30,965	0.963
C 2	1,190,449	3.21 g/t	122,862	3.821
C 1 + C 2	1,404,384	3.43 g/t	153,826	4.784

Average vertical width of C-1 zones is 3.66 m and C2 is 3.00 m.

17.3.1 Ykanskoye Mineral Resource Classification

Gustavson has reviewed the protocols of the ML exploration program, the results of that program, the geology and mineralization data and the methodologies employed in the Ykanskoye C1 and C2 resource estimates described above. Whereas the data collected has not been collected with an eye toward compliance with western standards (quality control and quality assurance etc.), the protocols rigorously employed were those mandated by the government of Russia. The Russian protocols are strict and comprehensive, dealing with nearly the same issues as the western industry standards, but with differences in terms of core and sample retention, submission of blanks, standards and duplicates, etc. The geological investigations were thorough and well documented.



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The geological evidence and “limited” sampling has demonstrated geological and grade continuity at Ykanskoye. The tighter spaced drilling and trenching, plus eventual underground testing of the Ykanskoye deposit planned for the next 2 to 3 years (under NI43-101 standards) by Sutcliffe may provide sufficient verification to upgrade the Inferred Mineral Resource estimates to categories of higher confidence, namely Indicated and/or Measured Mineral Resources.

There is significant, undefined geological potential at Ykanskoye to expand the mineral resources beyond the current level. There are, however, no guarantees that the expansion will take place, and any such projections should not be relied upon by investors.

Of note is that the coarse nature of the gold mineralization at Ozherelie is not evident at Ykanskoye. No oversize (>1.0mm and not passing the initial 1mm sample prep screen) gold has been identified at Ykanskoye.

17.4 Discussion of the Russian Mineral Reporting System

Stephen Henley has written a comprehensive article on the subject of Russian mineral reporting, that is included here in Appendix C. He has provided definitions of Russian C1 and C2 resources, in terms that can be compared to Western definitions of mineral resources. He states that:

- **Category C1** reserves (resources in NI43-101 terms) in place have been estimated by a sparse grid of trenches, drill holes or underground workings. This category also includes reserves adjoining the boundaries of A and B reserves, as well as reserves of very complex deposits in which the distribution cannot be determined even by a very dense grid. The quality and properties of the deposit are known tentatively by analyses and by analogy with known deposits of the same type. The general conditions for exploitation are known. The ore

tonnage is derived from estimates of strike length, dip length and the average thickness of the orebody. Allowance for barren blocks may be made statistically; and.

- **Category C2 reserves** (resources in NI43-101 terms) are based on an extremely loose exploration grid, with little data. The limits of the orebody are defined mainly by extrapolation within known geological structures, and from comparison with other similar deposits in the vicinity. The grade and mineral properties of the orebody are determined from core samples and comparison with similar mineral deposits in the area. The reserves have been extrapolated from limited data, sometimes only a single hole. This category includes reserves adjoining A, B, and C1 reserves in the same deposit.

He further states that “a broad equivalence between the classifications (Russian and Western (NI43-101) may be presented as follows (Table 17-3):

Table 17-3 Russian Classification Compared to International Codes

Russian	International reporting code JORC, etc.
A, B	Proved reserve/measured resource
C1	Proved or probable reserve/indicated resource
C2	Probable reserve/indicated resource/inferred resource
P1	Inferred resource
P2	Reconnaissance mineral resource (as found under UN Framework Classification for Reserves/Resources, code 334)
P3	No equivalent

Western (including NI43-101) reporting schemes rely heavily on the Qualified Person to assess the category of mineral resource to be assigned to a mineral resource estimate. As stated above, Gustavson considers the Russian Ozherelie and Ykanskoye C1 and C2 mineral resources to be Inferred Mineral Resources, for the reasons cited in Section 17.2.1 and 17.3.1 above. The Inferred Mineral Resources for the Projects are shown in Table 17-4.

Table 17-4 Ozherelie and Ykanskoye Inferred Mineral Resources

Property	Tonnes (millions)	Grade (g Au/t)	Contained Au (Oz)	Contained Au (t)
Ozherelie	1.05	3.68	124,000	3.86
Ykanskoye	1.40	3.43	154,000	4.78
Total	2.45	3.53	278,000	8.65

18. OTHER RELEVANT DATA AND INFORMATION

Gustavson is unaware of any other data and/or information that would be relevant to this report and is not contained in one of the existing Sections of this report.

19. INTERPRETATION AND CONCLUSIONS

19.1 General Conclusions

ML does not maintain one central database for all of the drilling and trench data, so it was not possible to obtain a copy or conduct any preliminary evaluation of this. However it was considered that this could readily be compiled as the data is available digitally. Printing of accurate, detailed maps and cross-sections shows that the data appears to be in good order and able to be accessed with good plots of channel samples from trenches, (and results) as well as drill holes. Data at the moment appears to be filed in a number of folders. ML has a GIS software package (*Arc-View*) from which it accesses the data and makes plots of results. ML has stated that they are in the process of acquiring a license to a Western mine planning package to enable the company to centrally store and manage all resource data and be able to produce level plans, cross-sections, plans and some 3-D visualization and modeling capability.

Gustavson considers that ML, and thus Sutcliffe, have carried out effective and successful exploration programs that have resulted in the identification of significant gold mineralization at both Ozherelie and Ykanskoye. However, relative to the potential extent of the deposits, both down dip and along strike, previous exploration has been limited. ML has used standard Russian protocols to conduct these programs. Although these protocols differ from those employed by Western companies and from Western best practices, the protocols have resulted in the creation of drilling and sampling databases of a quality that adequately supports the estimation of NI43-101 compliant Inferred Mineral Resources.

The registering of federal mineral resources and reserves is a well controlled and regulated procedure. Such issues as quality control, back-up data and checks, limits of assurance and resource confidence are all regulated by the relevant “resource/reserve” commissions. For a total “reserve” of up to 10 tonnes (C1 and C2) and less than 10 tonnes in any one resource category, the regional commission based in Irkutsk (TKZ) is able to sign-off on the estimation. For numbers larger than this the sign-off procedure must go to the federal commission in Moscow (GKZ).

19.2 Ozherelie

The Ozherelie deposit has been traced for over 7km and is open to the north and south, as well as down dip. The deposit has only been tested to a minimal extent with relatively small amounts of drilling and channel sampling. The approximate strike length comprised in the C1 and C2 resource blocks in Zones 1 and 4 is 0.5km, leaving more than 6.5km remaining to be tested. The mineralized horizon is confined to a thrust zone dipping 8-12° to the ENE. To the east, the zone plunges beneath hills which may restrict the ability to drill and open pit mine the horizon in that direction. However, to the west the zone dips up and out of the hills with topography working in favor of accessing the horizon to the west of hills adjacent to the main ore zones. Zones 4 and 5 occur in such an area. Additional zones of lower grade mineralization occur over narrower widths above the main zone but have not been prospected or defined to date and may add additional potential.

The objectives of the ML exploration program at Ozherelie were to define new gold mineralization that may have been the source of placer gold in the adjacent alluvial mining area.

Gustavson's review indicates that ML have been successful in their endeavor. They have, in fact, discovered heretofore unknown gold mineralization that may have been the source of the adjacent placer gold.

Preliminary metallurgical test work indicates that the gold is coarse and is hosted within coarse quartz veins. The gold is apparently free milling and recoverable by gravity and cyanide leaching.

The Ozherelie gold system has been the subject of detailed exploration for approximately 0.5km of the total 7km strike length, and down-dip an average of about 100m. Reasonable extrapolation of more detailed geological data collected in Zones 1 and 4 to Zones 2, 3 and 5 yields a substantial exploration target. Sutcliffe's 2007 and 2008 exploration programs at Ozherelie are focused on the definition of the projections of known mineralization. Gustavson considers that there is significant potential for the discovery of substantial additional gold mineralization in the 5 mineralized zones on the Ozherelie license, as well as in those areas not yet tested.

The overall potential for the Ozherelie project ranges from the current inferred mineral resource of 3.86t of gold contained in 1.05 million tonnes at a gold grade of 3.68g/t to more than 40t (1.3 million oz) of gold contained along the remaining 6.5km of strike length. This statement of potential only assumes a down-dip projection similar to that used in the estimation of the Inferred Mineral Resource (approximately 100m). The deposit remains open down-dip. The shallow dip of Ozherelie enhances the prospectivity of down-dip projections along strike. This potential is not CIM-compliant and is stated here to be indicative of the potential of the known mineralized system at Ozherelie. As above, further exploration is planned to test this potential in the near future.

19.3 Ykanskoye

The Ykanskoye deposit has been traced for some 6km and confirmed through 33 trenches and 16 drill holes down dip for only a limited distance and depth. The approximate strike length comprised in the C1 and C2 resource blocks for Ykanskoye is 1.4km, leaving more than 4.6km remaining to be tested. Projections in the dip direction for resource estimation range from 100 to 300m. The deposit remains open down dip and along strike. The deposit is situated in a shallow plunging thrust zone and hosted within a distinct banded metamorphic unit. It contains Au grades in excess of 3.0g Au/t on average, with no significant Ag grades. The gold appears to be amenable to gravity recovery and is readily extractable by cyanide leaching. The deposit is similar to, but has minor differences to other gold deposits in the belt, being finer grained than Ozherelie and hosted in a zone of silicification-pyrite-pyrrhotite rather than coarse quartz. While the zone dips to the NE and subsequently gets deeper, topography also dips in this general direction meaning possible strip ratios may not be adversely affected in all areas. Again, as at Ozherelie, there is potential for the discovery of substantial additional gold mineralization both along strike and down-dip from the more thoroughly tested area containing the Inferred Mineral Resources.

The potential for the Ykanskoye project ranges from the current inferred mineral resource of 4.78t of gold contained in 1.40 million tonnes at a gold grade of 3.43g/t to more than 16t of gold

(>0.5 million oz) contained along the remaining 4.6km of strike length, however, Gustavson considers that there is considerable strike and down dip potential at Ykanskoye that could increase the above potential significantly beyond the 16t of gold. This potential is not CIM-compliant and is stated here to be indicative of the potential of the known mineralized system at Ykanskoye. As above, further exploration is planned to test this potential in the near future. This statement of potential assumes a down-dip projection similar to that used in the estimation of the Inferred Mineral Resource (between 100 and 300m). The deposit remains open down-dip.

20. RECOMMENDATIONS

Sutcliffe is presently planning several full seasons of exploration on both the Ozherelie and Ykanskoye projects. The activities will include core drilling, BTS-150 drilling, reverse circulation (RC) drilling, test pitting, bulldozer trenching and other geological investigations. The proposed US\$12m exploration budget for Ozherelie and Ykanskoye is listed in Table 20-1 below and shown in Figure 20-1 and Figure 20-2, respectively. Importantly, given the coarse nature of the gold particles in the Ozherelie deposit, Sutcliffe has acquired two larger (132mm) diameter, high productivity core drills for the upcoming exploration season, and will deploy a large diameter RD 10+ reverse circulation rig for Phase 2 in-fill drilling. These drills will provide a significantly larger sample size than the previously used Russian core drill.

Table 20-1 Ozherelie and Ykanskoye Proposed Direct Exploration Budget, 2007 and 2008

	Ozherelie				Ykanskoye				Total		
Total	Meters	Cost US\$/m	US\$ m		Meters	Cost US\$/m	US\$ m		Meters	Cost US\$/m	US\$ m
BTS Drilling	3500	100	0.35		0	100	0.00		3500	100	0.35
Core Drilling – Phase 1	9800	200	1.96		5500	200	1.10		15300	200	3.06
RD 10 – Phase 2	24500	120	2.94		13000	120	1.56		37500	120	4.50
Trenching (m³)	12600	10	0.13		18000	10	0.18		30600	10	0.31
Other			2.27				1.51				3.78
Total			7.65				4.35				12.00

Note: Other includes costs for camps, sampling, sample processing, sample analysis road construction and other categories of expenditures.

Nearly 64% of the total US\$12.0m will be spent at Ozherelie with the remainder spent at Ykanskoye. At both properties, two phases of exploration are planned. The first phase will generally test the extent of the mineralized horizons across the respective properties, while the second phase will be predominately in-fill drilling down dip and along strike of the current resource areas. This phased approach is appropriate, given that exploration to date has been limited and confined to a relatively small area of both properties.

At Ozherelie, in the first phase a relatively widely-spaced drilling grid (480m x 160m) is planned, along strike and down dip of the current resource in Zone 1. In addition, three widely-spaced drill fences are planned in the central zone to test the continuity of the mineralized horizon between Zone 3 and Zone4/5. BTS drilling will be concentrated at Zone 3 to again test for continuity. As detailed in the plan shown on Figure 20-1 Ozherelie Exploration Program 2007 and 2008, a significant amount of trenching will be undertaken during Phase 1. This is seen as highly appropriate given the variability of mineralization at Ozherelie. Apart from being used as a primary exploration tool, several trenches will be excavated in previous drill tested areas to provide checks against previous core logs and assays. In Phase 2 at Ozherelie, RC drilling will concentrate on expanding the known area of mineralization and possibly the mineral resources in Zone 1. With success and at the proposed drilling density of 120 x 80m, there may

be an opportunity to enhance continuity of geology and mineralization and perhaps define Indicated Mineral Resources.

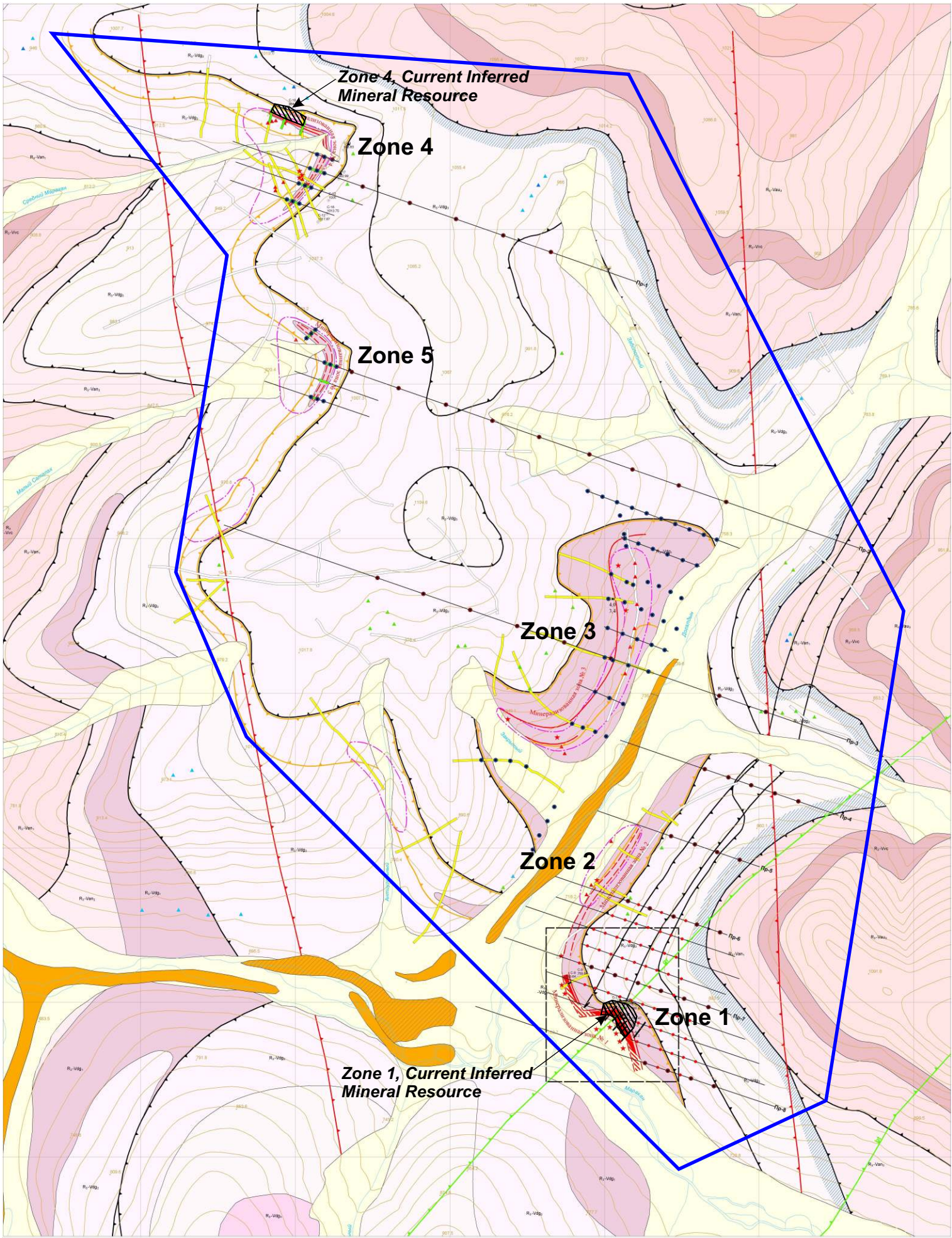
Currently at Ykanskoye, detailed trenching has been undertaken along approximately 1.4km of the potential 6km strike length of the mineralized system. In Phase 1 of the 2007-2008 exploration plans, new trenching will be undertaken to further define continuity of the mineralized horizon along the entire strike length. Seven widely-spaced fences of core holes (approx. 1km apart) are planned to ascertain down dip continuity across the property. In Phase 2, an in-fill drilling program is planned on a 120m x 80m grid in the central-north area of the property. With success and at the proposed drilling density, there may be an opportunity to enhance continuity of geology and mineralization and perhaps define Indicated Mineral Resources.

The above programs represent a staged approach to defining and/or upgrading mineral resources at both deposits. Decision points have been defined that will re-direct efforts to other areas if and when the first phase of the exploration program should prove unsuccessful.

Gustavson recommends that Sutcliffe carry out the following tasks in addition to the drilling, sampling and testing programs proposed:

- Prepare a centralized database and carry-out a detailed data verification program; and
- Implement a CIM-compliant resource estimation procedures for sampling, assaying, QA/QC programs and resource estimation. These procedures should be guided by the CIM “Best Practice Guidelines”.

Gustavson considers the exploration program proposed by Sutcliffe to be appropriate for the Projects at their current state. The staged exploration program will be conducted in a manner that supports the eventual estimation NI43-101 – compliant Measured or Indicated Mineral Resources (if warranted).



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Quaternary sediments

Upper Riphean - Vendian

R₃-Vdg₃

Upper Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones are light feldspar-quartz, low-capacity prolayers of slates poorly carbonaceous

R₃-Vdg₂

Medium Dogaldyn subformation. Rhythmical alternation of lime metasandstones and micaceous slates is poorly carbonaceous

R₃-Vdg₁

Lower Dogaldyn subformation. Metasandstones are carbonaceous quartz - feldspar in rhythmical alternation with metaaleurolites and slates carbonaceous, gradational lamination metasandstone-slate is frequently occurred

R₃-Van₂

Upper Ananr subformation. Metasandstones are quartz - feldspar in rough alternation with slates carbonaceous

R₃-Van₁

Lower Ananr subformation. Metasandstones are quartz - feldspar, prolayers and layers of slates poorly carbonaceous

R₃-Vvc

Vacha suite. Metasandstones are quartz, slates micaceous-quartz high-carbon

R₃-Vau₃

Aunakit suite, upper aunakit subformation. Slates are micaceous-quartz carbonaceous, metasandstones and metaaleurolites quartz carbonaceous

a 6 b

Faults: a - mapped, 6 - hidden under quaternary deposits, b - thrusts.

12

Zone of upthrust with plastic (flexural) deformation

12

Elements of lamination deposition bedding, with dip.

12

Quartz-albite metasomatites

12

Isogrades of regional metamorphism: biotite (bt), garnet (gr)

Secant ore-controlling zones of shift dispositions with steeply-dipping plate-shaped veins (Bi, Sn, W, Pb, Zn, Au mineralization)

Ore-controlling thrust zone of schistosity, brownsparsization, muscovitization with gold-bearing brownspars-quartz mineralization

C-18 725 51

Boreholes of core drilling

Bulldozer stripping

Bulldozer trenches, black - areas of manual redriving

Alluvial placers of gold, a - explored, 6 - developed

Contour of geological map of scale 1:2000

Mineralized zones established in bed deposition (a), on dealluvial fragments and schlich auras of gold (6)

Ore zone № 1, opened by mountain developments (a) and blocked by Quaternary adjournments (6)

Fragments of brownspars-quartz veins of ore shape with visual gold

Fragments of brownspars-quartz veins of ore shape

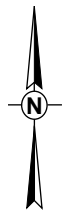
Tourmalinites

Quartz veins with tourmaline

Bismuth - containing veins

Schlich auras of gold in slide-rocks (0,01-0,9 g/m)

License Boundary



0 400 800
Scale in Meters

Design developments:

Core drilling of 1st stage

Core drilling of 2nd stage

Boreholes by machine tool BTS-150

Sections of core drilling of 1st stage

Trenches

after: Ivanov 2004, 2006, 2007

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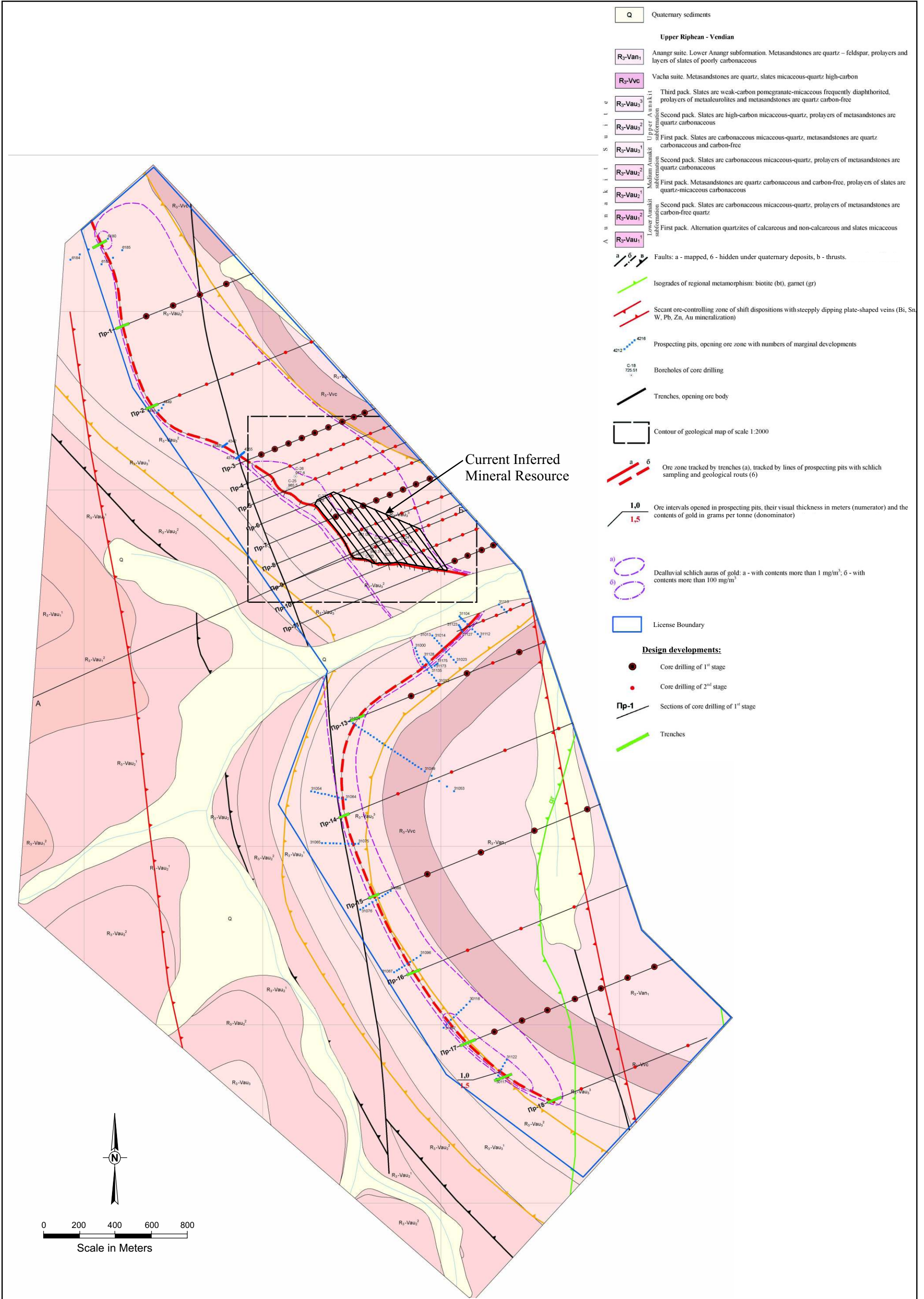
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FIGURE 20-1
OZHERELIE EXPLORATION PROGRAM 2007 & 2008



after: Ivanov 2004, 2006, 2007


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FIGURE 20-2
YKANSKOYE EXPLORATION PROGRAM 2007 & 2008

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3. I am a registered Professional Geologist in the State of Oregon (G573) and am a member in good standing of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and the Society of Economic Geologists.
4. I have worked as a geologist for a total of 35 years since my graduation from university; as a graduate student, as an employee of a major mining company, a major engineering company, and as a consulting geologist.
5. I have read the definition of “qualified person” set out in National Instrument 43-101 (“NI 43-101”) and certify that by reason of my education, affiliation with a professional association (as defined in NI 43-101) and past relevant work experience, I fulfill the requirements to be a “qualified person” for the purposes of NI 43-101.
6. I am responsible for the preparation of the technical report titled “*NI 43-101 TECHNICAL REPORT ON THE OZHERELIE AND YKANSKOYE GOLD PROJECTS, IRKUTSK OBLAST, RUSSIA.*” Dated 20 March 2007 (the “Technical Report”). A personal visit of the subject properties was conducted on 5 February, 2007.
7. I have personally completed an independent review and analysis of the data and written information contained in this Technical Report.
8. I have not had prior involvement with Sutcliffe Resources Ltd. on the property that is the subject of this Technical Report.

9. I am not aware of any material fact or material change with respect to the subject matter of the Technical Report that is not reflected in the Technical Report, the omission to disclose which makes the Technical Report misleading.
10. I do not hold, nor do I expect to receive, any securities or any other interest in any corporate entity, private or public, with interests in the properties that are the subject of this report or in the properties themselves, nor do I have any business relationship with any such entity apart from a professional consulting relationship with the issuer, nor to the best of my knowledge do I have any interest in any securities of any corporate entity with property within a two (2) kilometer distance of any of the subject properties.
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Dated this 20th day of March, 2007.


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**23. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR TECHNICAL REPORTS ON
DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES AND PRODUCTION PROPERTIES**

The Ozherelie and Ykanskoye projects are neither development properties nor production properties.

24. ILLUSTRATIONS

All of the illustrations used in the preparation of this report appear in each of their respective sections.

APPENDIX A

CV for Anatoly I. Ivanov

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Qualification – engineer-geologist;

Specialty – «Geological shooting and searches of minerals deposits».

Work:

1973-1992 – association "Irkutskgeology": geologist, senior geologist, chief of the set, leading geologist of expedition;

1992 – to present time (since 1997 – combine jobs) – Closed Joint-Stock Company "Ofit": director general;

1997 – to present time – Closed Joint-Stock Company «Siberian geological company»: director general.

Academic degree:

Candidate of geological-mineralogical sciences (1984). Theme of the dissertation: «Regularity of formation of linear folding of Baikal-Patom uplands ».

Scientific works:

Author of 50 published works, including two monographies: «Structural-kinematic analysis of Patom deflection» (1992) and «Precambrian of Patom uplands» (1995).

Industrial reports: in total 16 (in 13 – executive and first author), including:

- geological shooting of scale 1:50000 – 3 reports;

- prospecting works – 3 reports, including minerals: iron (ferriferous quartzites); tin and tungsten; complex (with tin, tungsten, titan and bismuth) gold-bearing looses;

- research works on predictive estimation – 4 reports, including: one on Sn; one – Sn, W, Mo; two – Au; one – Au, Sn, W, Ag, Bi;

- research works on drawing up of legends to geological maps – 1 report;

- prospecting works – 6 reports with estimation of reserves, including: ore Au – two; talc – one; greenstone – one; plaster – one; decorative dolomite – one.

At present time reports with estimation of reserves are in a process of preparation: one – ore gold; one – plaster.

Also prospecting and estimated works on three new gold-ore objects are carried out.

Opening (on forecast, under a management and at direct participation):

- deposits of ore gold of Ozherelie and Ykanskoye (Certificates on the fact of opening are officially received);

- Vitim iron-ore area (six potential deposits) with an estimation of predictive resources on more than 3 billion tons;

- Tonodsky tin-tungsten-bearing area (three tin-ore objects and one tungstic – estimated works will be carried out);

- commercial deposits of talc, plaster (reserves are estimated, development is planned);

- four prospective ore-occurrences of gold on which Closed Joint-Stock Company «Siberian geological company» conducts works now;

- prospective ore-occurrences of tin (one), tungsten (two), molybdenum (two) for which works are planned at the nearest years.

Appendix B

**Translations of License Agreements
for the
Ozherelie Deposit (13710)
and
Ykanskoye Deposit (13711)**

LICENSE AGREEMENT

about conditions of subsoil use with the purpose of prospecting and extraction of ore gold on deposit Ozherelie in Irkutsk Oblast

The present License agreement (further - the Agreement) is made between Federal agency on subsoil use (further - Rosnedra), on behalf of deputy head Bavlov Vladimir Nikolaevich acting on the basis of the order of Federal agency on subsoil use dated 03.08.2005 № 838, and Open company "ML" (further - Open Company "ML" or Subsoil user), on behalf of general director Ivanov Anatoliy Innokentievich acting on the basis of the charter of the Company.

1. General provisions

1. Open Company "ML" according to the license is given the right of subsoil use with the purpose of prospecting and extraction of ore gold on deposit Ozherelie, located in territory (further - the License site) of Bodaibo area of Irkutsk Oblast.
2. The right of subsoil use of the License site is given according to an established fact of opening by Subsoil user of Ozherelie deposit of ore gold according to clause 10¹ of the Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil» and on the basis of the decision of the Commission for consideration of applications about granting the right of use of subsoil sites on territory of Irkutsk Oblast (the appendix 2 to the license).

2. The general data on a site of subsoil

- 2.1. The license site is located in territory of Bodaibo area of Irkutsk Oblast in pool of Marakan river, in 5 km to a southeast from settlement Marakan.
- 2.2. The license site has the status of mining allotment. The geographical coordinates of end points limiting the area of the License site, are presented in the table:

End points of subsoil site	Northern latitude			Eastern longitude		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
1	58	41	13	114	39	44
2	58	41	08	114	43	36
3	58	39	18	114	45	33
4	58	37	35	114	45	08
5	58	37	20	114	44	11
6	58	38	47	114	41	12
7	58	39	21	114	40	41
8	58	40	28	114	40	57

The area of the License site makes 24,1 km². The site of subsoil is limited on depth to 1000 meters of below day time surface.

Borders of mining allotment can be specified in established order after the approval of the technical design of deposit development and reception of necessary

coordination and examinations.

2.3. As of 01.01.2005 authorized balance reserves on category C₁ make: ores – 106363 thousand tons, gold – 525 kg, C₂: ores – 807969 thousand tons, gold – 2934 kg (report of TKZ on Irkutsk Oblast dated 17.11.2004 № 641).

The Federal agency on subsoil use gave to Subsoil user the certificate on an establishment of the fact of deposit opening dated 28.02.2005 № ИПК 05 БЛМ 10040 (the appendix 3 to the license). The deposit of ore gold Ozherelie is open by Subsoil user carrying out works due to own means according to license ИПК 01894 БП (date of the state registration 15.05.2001).

2.4. Geological and mining allotment are excluded from structure of the License site under the working licenses given for the purposes of geological studying, prospecting and extraction of placer gold (ИПК 01263 БЭ, ИПК 01264 БЭ, ИПК 01734 БР, ИПК 01658 БР) for the period of their action. Carrying out of prospecting works within the limits of working licenses is supposed only with the consent of their owners.

Especially protected natural territories, patrimonial lands of indigenous people and other land areas of the forbidden or limited using are absent on the area of the License site at the moment of licensing.

2.5. Preliminary consent on allotment of the lands of the License site with the purpose of prospecting and extraction of ore gold on the License site is received from the Mayorality of Bodaibo (the appendix 5 to the license).

Allotment of the land area in final borders and registration of the land rights of the subsoil user are carried out in the order stipulated by the land legislation, after the approval of the design of prospecting works and reception of necessary coordination and examinations.

3. Validity of the Agreement

3.1. The present Agreement inures from the date of the state registration of the License and operates during the term specified in the license.

3.2. Rosnedra can suspend, limit or ahead of schedule stop the right of subsoil use on the basis and in the order established by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

3.3. Subsoil user has the right to refuse the License at any time, having presented to Rosnedra the notice in writing six months prior to the termination of the right of subsoil use.

3.4. Term of the License site use under Subsoil user initiative can be specified after drawing up of the technical design of site development and, in case of need, is prolonged for end of deposit development and execution of liquidating actions under condition of execution by him of the conditions of use of the License site stipulated in the Agreement.

4. The basic conditions of subsoil site use

Subsoil user should carry out prospecting and extraction of ore gold on the License site according to the following basic conditions of a of subsoil site use:

4.1. On volumes, basic types of works and terms of their carrying out Subsoil user undertakes to provide:

a) not later than September 1, 2007 preparation and coordination in established order the design of prospecting works on the License site, thus the project should receive the positive conclusion of the state ecological examination;

б) not later than December 1, 2007 the beginning of prospecting works on the

License site;

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At the conclusion of the contract Subsoil user keeps all completeness of the responsibility for observance of conditions of the license for subsoil use. Involved by Subsoil user the person alongside with him bears the responsibility for protection of subsoil, environment and safety of conducting works which he carries out according to the contract and licenses for kinds of activity.

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occurrence of the circumstances essentially distinguished from at what it has been made.

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a) quarterly (within 10 days upon termination of a quarter) the brief information report on performance of the Agreement for the period from the beginning of year before the ending of quarter, data on payments and taxes at subsoil use;

б) annually (till January 15 of the year following after fiscal year) information reports:

- about execution of the Agreement;
- about volumes, kinds and results of prospecting works, volumes of construction and extraction of minerals, restoration and other kinds of works within the limits of the License site;

- about results of monitoring of a environment condition;

в) in the terms stipulated by the legislation and statutory acts, forms of the annual statistical reporting on questions of carrying out of prospecting works and extractions of minerals (form 5-рп, 70-ТП, 71-ТП, 2-лс, etc.);

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8.1. The property right on geological and other information on subsoil is protected in the order established by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

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8.3. The geological information received due to public funds is a state ownership. Subsoil user has the right to receive or access in established order as agreed with Irkutsknedra to the specified information on the License site, stored in territorial geological fund or in funds of enterprises-manufacturers of the information.

8.4. The geological and other information received due to means Subsoil user is his property.

Subsoil user gratuitously submits to Irkutsknedra this information according to established forms and terms the reporting with definition of conditions of its use.

8.5. Subsoil user should provide safety of the primary geological information, including samples of rocks and ores, the License site received during development, and as agreed with Irkutsknedra to transfer it gratuitously to the enterprise-keeper of the information.

Subsoil user can use in the industrial or research purposes necessary amount of core material. The rest of core material is national property and is subject to storage at Subsoil user according to working specifications. In case of acceptance Irkutsknedra of the decision on concentration кршового materials Subsoil user undertakes to transfer

gratuitously крпный a material to storage Irkutsknedra.

8.6. The degree of confidentiality of the information, the order and conditions of its use, mode of protection are defined by proprietors of the information according to the legislation of the Russian Federation.

8.7. Rosnedra and Irkutsknedra have the right to use free-of-charge the information on the License site being property of Subsoil user, only in the state interests at drawing up of federal and territorial programs of management of the state fund of subsoil.

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9. The responsibility of the parties

9.1. Rosnedra and Subsoil user bear the full responsibility for the actions according to an item 49 of Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil».

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9.3. Subsoil user relieves from the responsibility at approach of the circumstances which have entailed impossibility in full or in part to carry out of the obligation under the present Agreement (action of force majeure) if he has in due time informed Rosnedra on their approach and has taken all possible measures to prevention of damage.

10. The termination of the right of subsoil use

The right of use of subsoil site stops according to item 3 of part 1 clause 20 of the Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil» in case of default of conditions stipulated in item 5.2 of the Agreement.

The right of subsoil use can be ahead of schedule stopped according to item 2 part 2 clause 20 of Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil» in case of default by Subsoil user of conditions of subsoil site use stipulated in section 4 and items 5.1, 7.2, 7.4, and 8.4 of Agreement.

The right of subsoil use can be ahead of schedule stopped also on other bases stipulated by the legislation.

11. Other conditions

11.1. Mutual relations between Subsoil user and the Mayoralty of city Bodaibo and area of Irkutsk oblast in which territory the License site is located, are carried out on the basis of social and economic agreements. Social and economic agreements are given in Irkutsknedra and are stored in license case.

11.2. In all other not settled by the present Agreement, the parties will be guided by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

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- reserves of the minerals past in established order of state expert appraisal of reserves of minerals;
- approved design documents on development of subsoil site which have received the positive conclusion of the state ecological examination and state expert appraisal of industrial safety and protection of subsoil;
- approved design documents for the prospecting works, received the positive conclusion of the state ecological examination;
- registered land allotment on corresponding sites of works (mining, drilling);

- registrations of necessary licenses for separate kinds of activity at conducting mining and other types of works or contracts with organizations-contractors.

12. Addresses of the parties

12.1. Federal agency on subsoil use:

4/6 Bolshaya Gruzinskaya Street, Moscow D-242, GSP-5; 123995, ph. (495) 254-83-88, fax (495) 254-82-77.

12.2. Territorial agency on subsoil use on Irkutsk Oblast:

17 Russian Street, Irkutsk, 664000, phone/fax (3952) 33-50-75, ph. (3952) 34-47-38.

12.3. Open company "ML":

131 Osvobozhdeniya Street, p.o. 121, Irkutsk, 664019, phone/fax (3952) 34-66-57.

Deputy head

**Federal agency
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V.N. Bavlov

August 1, 2006.

Director general

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A.I. Ivanov

August 2, 2006.

LICENSE AGREEMENT

about conditions of subsoil use with the purpose of prospecting and extraction of ore gold on deposit Ykanskoye in Irkutsk Oblast

The present License agreement (further - the Agreement) is made between Federal agency on subsoil use (further - Rosnedra), on behalf of deputy head Bavlov Vladimir Nikolaevich acting on the basis of the order of Federal agency on subsoil use dated 03.08.2005 № 838, and Open company "ML" (further - Open Company "ML" or Subsoil user), on behalf of general director Ivanov Anatoliy Innokentievich acting on the basis of the charter of the Company.

1. General provisions

1. Open Company "ML" according to the license is given the right of subsoil use with the purpose of prospecting and extraction of ore gold on deposit Ykanskoye, located in territory (further - the License site) of Bodaibo area of Irkutsk Oblast.
2. The right of subsoil use of the License site is given according to an established fact of opening by Subsoil user of Ykanskoye deposit of ore gold according to clause 10¹ of the Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil» and on the basis of the decision of the Commission for consideration of applications about granting the right of use of subsoil sites on territory of Irkutsk Oblast (the appendix 2 to the license).

2. The general data on a site of subsoil

- 2.1. The license site is located in territory of Bodaibo area of Irkutsk Oblast in pool of Medvezhy brook – left inflow of Veseliaevsky brook, in 11 km from settlement Marakan.
- 2.2. The license site has the status of mining allotment. The geographical coordinates of end points limiting the area of the License site, are presented in the table:

Угловые точки участка недр	Северная широта			Восточная долгота		
	Градусы	Минуты	Секунды	Градусы	Минуты	Секунды
End points of subsoil site	Northern latitude			Eastern longitude		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
1	58	34	13	114	34	35
2	58	34	25	114	34	59
3	58	33	14	114	37	11
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The area of the License site makes 7,2 km². The site of subsoil is limited on depth to 1000 meters of below day time surface.

2.3. As of 01.01.2005 authorized balance reserves on category C₁ make: ores – 213935 thousand tons, gold – 963 kg, C₂: ores – 1190449 thousand tons, gold – 3821 kg. Predictive resources of gold on category P₁+P₂ make 14776 kg. (report of TKZ on Irkutsk Oblast dated 17.11.2004 № 642).

The Federal agency on subsoil use gave to Subsoil user the certificate on an establishment of the fact of deposit opening dated 28.02.2005 № ИРК 05 БЖМ 10040 (the appendix 3 to the license). The deposit of ore gold Ykanskoye is open by Subsoil user carrying out works due to own means according to license ИРК 01894 БП (date of the state registration 15.05.2001).

2.4. Working licenses for the right of subsoil use are not present.

Especially protected natural territories, patrimonial lands of indigenous people and other land areas of the forbidden or limited using are absent on the area of the License site at the moment of licensing.

2.5. Preliminary consent on allotment of the lands of the License site with the purpose of prospecting and extraction of ore gold on the License site is received from the Mayoralty of Bodaibo (the appendix 5 to the license).

Allotment of the land area in final borders and registration of the land rights of the subsoil user are carried out in the order stipulated by the land legislation, after the approval of the design of prospecting works and reception of necessary coordination and examinations.

3. Validity of the Agreement

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4. The basic conditions of subsoil site use

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6.2. To dispose on the property rights of the extracted minerals according to the current legislation of the Russian Federation.

6.3. Temporarily to stop extraction works as agreed with Rosnedra and Department on technological and ecological supervision of Rostekhnadzor on Irkutsk Oblast. Time of a suspension of work enters into terms of the license.

6.4. To conclude the contract with other legal persons on execution of separate types of works or a complex of the works connected to subsoil use.

At the conclusion of the contract Subsoil user keeps all completeness of the responsibility for observance of conditions of the license for subsoil use. Involved by Subsoil user the person alongside with him bears the responsibility for protection of subsoil, environment and safety of conducting works which he carries out according to the contract and licenses for kinds of activity.

6.5. To apply to Rosnedra for revision of conditions of the Agreement at occurrence of the circumstances essentially distinguished from at what it has been made.

7. The reporting

7.1. Subsoil user provides Irkutsknedra with access under its requirement to all originals of the documents concerning to works, carried out by Subsoil user on the License site.

7.2. Subsoil user is obliged to represent to Irkutsknedra the following reporting connected to subsoil use:

a) quarterly (within 10 days upon termination of a quarter) the brief information report on performance of the Agreement for the period from the beginning of year before the ending of quarter, data on payments and taxes at subsoil use;

б) annually (till January 15 of the year following after fiscal year) information reports:

- about execution of the Agreement;
- about volumes, kinds and results of prospecting works, volumes of construction and extraction of minerals, restoration and other kinds of works within the limits of the License site;

- about results of monitoring of a environment condition;

в) in the terms stipulated by the legislation and statutory acts, forms of the annual statistical reporting on questions of carrying out of prospecting works and extractions of minerals (form 5-гп, 70-тп, 71-тп, 2-лс, etc.);

7.3. Irkutsknedra under the mutual arrangement with Subsoil user defines forms, content and periodicity of the additional reporting represented by him.

7.4. Within a month from the date of end of each stage of works to hand over in federal and territorial geological funds the report on results of works, including reports according to resources and estimation of reserves of mineral raw material.

8. The geological information on subsoil

8.1. The property right on geological and other information on subsoil is protected in the order established by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

8.2. The primary information and results of its processing are subdivided on received due to public funds and due to means of Subsoil user.

8.3. The geological information received due to public funds is a state ownership. Subsoil user has the right to receive or access in established order as agreed with Irkutsknedra to the specified information on the License site, stored in territorial geological fund or in funds of enterprises-manufacturers of the information.

8.4. The geological and other information received due to means Subsoil user is his property.

Subsoil user gratuitously submits to Irkutsknedra this information according to established forms and terms the reporting with definition of conditions of its use.

8.5. Subsoil user should provide safety of the primary geological information, including samples of rocks and ores, the License site received during development, and as agreed with Irkutsknedra to transfer it gratuitously to the enterprise-keeper of the information.

Subsoil user can use in the industrial or research purposes necessary amount of core material. The rest of core material is national property and is subject to storage at Subsoil user according to working specifications. In case of acceptance Irkutsknedra of the decision on concentration крнoвoгo materials Subsoil user undertakes to transfer gratuitously крнoвoй a material to storage Irkutsknedra.

8.6. The degree of confidentiality of the information, the order and conditions of its

use, mode of protection are defined by proprietors of the information according to the legislation of the Russian Federation.

8.7. Rosnedra and Irkutsknedra have the right to use free-of-charge the information on the License site being property of Subsoil user, only in the state interests at drawing up of federal and territorial programs of management of the state fund of subsoil.

8.8. Upon termination of action of the License, including at the preschedule termination of term of its action, Subsoil user transfers in territorial geological fund for storage primary geological, survey and surveyor documentation on the License site.

9. The responsibility of the parties

9.1. Rosnedra and Subsoil user bear the full responsibility for the actions according to an item 49 of Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil».

9.2. Compensation of the caused harm is carried out according to item 51 of Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil».

9.3. Subsoil user relieves from the responsibility at approach of the circumstances which have entailed impossibility in full or in part to carry out of the obligation under the present Agreement (action of force majeure) if he has in due time informed Rosnedra on their approach and has taken all possible measures to prevention of damage.

10. The termination of the right of subsoil use

The right of use of subsoil site stops according to item 3 of part 1 clause 20 of the Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil» in case of default of conditions stipulated in item 5.2 of the Agreement.

The right of subsoil use can be ahead of schedule stopped according to item 2 part 2 clause 20 of Law of the Russian Federation «About subsoil» in case of default by Subsoil user of conditions of subsoil site use stipulated in section 4 and items 5.1, 7.2, 7.4, and 8.4 of Agreement.

The right of subsoil use can be ahead of schedule stopped also on other bases stipulated by the legislation.

11. Other conditions

11.1. Mutual relations between Subsoil user and the Mayoralty of city Bodaibo and area of Irkutsk oblast in which territory the License site is located, are carried out on the basis of social and economic agreements. Social and economic agreements are given in Irkutsknedra and are stored in license case.

11.2. In all other not settled by the present Agreement, the parties will be guided by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

11.3. Prospecting and extraction of a useful mineral on the License site is authorized at presence at Subsoil user:

- reserves of the minerals past in established order of state expert appraisal of reserves of minerals;
- approved design documents on development of subsoil site which have received the positive conclusion of the state ecological examination and state expert appraisal of industrial safety and protection of subsoil;
- approved design documents for the prospecting works, received the positive conclusion of the state ecological examination;
- registered land allotment on corresponding sites of works (mining, drilling);
- registrations of necessary licenses for separate kinds of activity at conducting mining and other types of works or contracts with organizations-contractors.

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Appendix C
Russian Mineral Reporting
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Russian mineral

The increasing attention given by Western mining companies to Russia, particularly in gold, means that mining executives, analysts and investors must understand the Russian system for quantifying mineral deposits. This is vital not only for realising the opportunities presented by deposits already explored by Russian geologists, but also because Western entrants must comply with Russian regulations

THE Russian resource/reserve reporting system is very different, both in principle and in detail, from the principal reporting codes used internationally (JORC, SAMREC, Canadian NI43-101, USA SEC, and the IMM code).

The basis of all of the international codes is a recognition of the diversity of mineral deposits, the types of data available, and the economic factors which are to be applied. They place ultimate responsibility for reports on a competent person or qualified person, whose professional judgment in applying the codes is the principal determinant in the figures which are presented. The reporting codes themselves do no more than provide a consistent framework within which reports are prepared.

In contrast, the Russian system, developed initially in the USSR in the 1960s, aims to achieve total objectivity by prescribing the entire process of exploration, resource computation, and reporting. There is little or no space in the system – as originally designed, at least – for application of professional judgment. The prescribed computational methods are simple (they can be completed manually – important at a time when computers were a rarity in the region).

At first sight, the two systems appear completely incompatible. However, from the early 1990s onwards there have been significant changes in the way in which the Russian system has been applied – especially in the role played by economic modelling.

In parallel there has also been rapid convergence among the various Western national standards and emergence of a harmonised international reporting code. The result is that it is realistic now to use both systems and to translate reports prepared under the Russian system to broadly equivalent terms in the international codes.

BACKGROUND TO RUSSIAN REPORTING

The Soviet approach was centred on a document called the TEO (*technico-economic characterisation*) and the TER (*technico-economic calculations*).

The TEO is broadly equivalent to the Western prefeasibility study, but is much more formalised, and its preparation follows a defined set of procedures. It takes into account factors such as technical options and commercial aspects, as well as the environmental implications of a planned project.

Formerly, the Soviet TEO was a precisely defined document written according to a set of detailed specifications – a style manual. Now there is less central



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control over the structure and content of a TEO, which will vary according to the mineral concerned, but each authorised reporting body follows its own internal guidelines for projects on which it is reporting, and requires consultants to follow such rules in their own reports on projects for which the institute is official adviser to the central GKZ.

(In Soviet times the authorised reporting body was one of the state-owned mine design institutes, but nowadays they are drawn more broadly and in many cases the body is the mining company holding the licence.)

The legislative framework within which the Russian system now works is all centred on GKZ, the State Commission on Mineral Reserves. This is a standing committee whose chairman is appointed by the Russian president. Clearly a single committee would be overwhelmed if it had to approve the reserves and re-

sources for every mining project in such a large country. Therefore GKZ has set up regional sub-committees, the TKZ (Territorial Commission on Mineral Reserves) who actually do most of the work. The TKZ chairmen are appointed by GKZ; membership of the TKZ committees consists typically of 7-11 'chief specialists' employed directly by GKZ or the TKZ, and 5-7 'independent specialists' drawn from research institutes and other organisations within each region. Decisions on approval of resource/reserve estimates are reached by vote of the TKZ committee or, for larger-scale deposits, by a vote at GKZ level.

Because all mineral rights are owned by the state, one of the concepts in Russia which continues to the present day is the idea of the 'national raw materials base' as a 'balance' of reserves of all kinds of minerals, which can be used in computing the national net worth. Any mining operation will necessarily reduce this 'balance' and there is a presumed burden on the mining company to take action to restore the 'raw materials balance'.

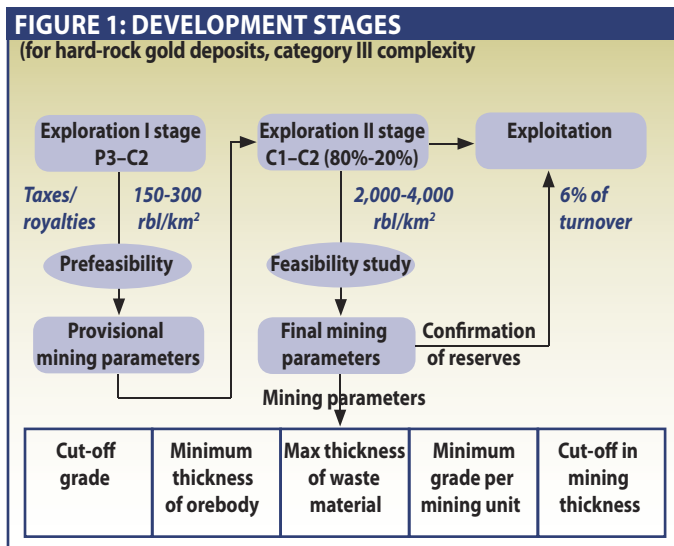
Mineral exploration in Russia follows a series of formal stages which represent progressively increasing detail of knowledge of a mineral deposit and are reflected directly in the resource classification system. Depending on the type of deposit (how complex it is, and its overall shape), drilling must be carried out on grids of prescribed density at each stage.

Clearly most coal deposits require less-dense drilling

than most gold deposits. This is reflected in the rules. However, no account is taken of the detailed differences which make each mineral deposit unique.

Although this system is prescriptive, in practice it is little different from the Western approach which establishes analogies with known deposits (eg 'a Carlin-type deposit') and in which the exploration programme is informed by the parameters that are thereby expected.

The ultimate quality of the numbers for reserves and resources – regardless of the system used – depends on the quantity and quality of the work



Project development stages, formal documentation, resource/reserve categories and taxation for a typical hard-rock gold deposit

reporting

that has been done, and the know-how and experience of the team responsible, in Russia just as in the West.

At the exploration stage, taxation is based purely on the area of the exploration licence, and currently is in the range of Rb150-300/km² at exploration stage 1, or Rb2,000-4,000/km² at exploration stage 2 – ie after the prefeasibility study (figure 1).

Once a deposit is considered to be ready for mining, an official reserve is calculated which becomes part of the mining licence. Under the terms of the licence, the official reserve is classed as 'balance ore' and is reduced each year according to the annual production from the mine. The company will be charged royalties (generally 6% of production revenue) based on the official reserves.

In principle these must be fully extracted, and the full royalties therefore paid, over the life of the mine. If this target is not met for some reason, penalties may be payable, though in practice there are generally mitigating circumstances which can be argued to waive the penalties.

There is also provision for the mining of 'out-of-balance' ore, which is generally low-grade ore that can be mined and which thus boosts production. A lower rate of royalty is usually paid on out-of-balance ore and if there is a shortfall on the balance ore it may be possible to offset some or all with out-of-balance ore and so avoid the penalties for failing to meet the terms of the mining licence.

Owing to the linking of the estimated ore reserves to actual payments of royalties over a mine's life, there is a natural tendency for Russian geologists to be conservative in their estimations. Not only would an overestimate lead to paying higher-than-necessary royalties, in past times the geologist was likely to find himself in trouble. Better, therefore, to err on the side of caution.

RESOURCE/RESERVE CLASSIFICATION

The former Soviet system for classification of reserves and resources, developed in 1960 and revised in 1981, is still used today in Russia and other CIS republics. Essentially, it divides mineral concentrations into seven categories, in three major groups, based on the level of exploration performed: fully-explored reserves or resources (A, B, C1), evaluated reserves or resources (C2) and prognostic resources (P1, P2, P3).

In principle, these follow a succession of approximations which are applied to various stages of exploration. This means that reserves or resources are assigned to classes based on the degree of their reliability and on their comparative importance to the national economy – in other words, the classification is not defined purely by exploration confidence levels but also incorporates some economic criteria.

Computation of reserves and resources follows a prescribed set of manual procedures (though these days they may be implemented in computer programs). The precise procedure used depends on the type of deposit being evaluated, but for hard-rock gold or polymetallic deposits, the procedures generally work from drill-hole intersections on parallel section lines.

The computation is effectively a simple linear inter-

polation – computing volumes of prisms and pyramids, and computing weighted averages of grades in the bounding drill holes. Although geostatistical methods have been available in Russia for some time, it requires special justification, and approval by the TKZ or GKZ, to use these for formal reporting, and they are not yet widely used.

Reserves and resources that could be matched to the usual international categories are those classified into five main classes designated by the symbols A, B, C1, C2 and P1. Capital letters are used to designate ores that are economic. Sometimes, the same group of letters are written in lower case when the mineralisation is considered sub-economic.

Alternatively, and more commonly, a simple classification is used, into classified (A, B, C1, C2) *balansovye* (balance) = commercially exploitable reserves, and unclassified *zabalansovye* (out-of-balance) = uneconomic resources.

Synonyms of *balansovye* and *zabalansovye* that are often encountered, and used descriptively, are *konditsionniye* (conditioned) and *nekonditsionniye*

(unconditioned).

The resource/reserve categories are defined below (please note that the terms 'reserves' and 'resources' are to a large extent interchangeable here, and do not have the very distinct meanings that are placed on them in the international reporting codes).

Category A – The reserves in place are known in detail.

The boundaries of the deposit have been outlined by trenching, drilling or underground workings. The quality and properties of the ore are known in sufficient detail to ensure the reliability of the projected exploitation.

Category B – The reserves in place have been explored but are known only in fair detail. The boundaries of the deposit have been outlined by trenching, drilling or underground workings. The quality and properties of the ore are known in sufficient detail to ensure the basic reliability of the projected exploitation.

Category C1 – The reserves in place have been estimated by a sparse grid of trenches, drill holes or underground workings. This category also includes

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reserves adjoining the boundaries of A and B reserves, as well as reserves of very complex deposits in which the distribution cannot be determined even by a very dense grid. The quality and properties of the deposit are known tentatively by analyses and by analogy with known deposits of the same type. The general conditions for exploitation are known. The ore tonnage is derived from estimates of strike length, dip length and the average thickness of the orebody. Allowance for barren blocks may be made statistically.

Category C2 – These reserves are based on an extremely loose exploration grid, with little data. The limits of the orebody are defined mainly by extrapolation within known geological structures, and from comparison with other similar deposits in the vicinity. The grade and mineral properties of the orebody are determined from core samples and comparison with similar mineral deposits in the area. The reserves have been extrapolated from limited data, sometimes only a single hole. This category includes reserves adjoining A, B, and C1 reserves in the same deposit.

'Prognostic' resources (P) are estimated for mineralisation outside the limits of areas that have been explored in detail, and are often based on data from trenches and from geochemical and geophysical surveys.

Category P1 – Resources in the P1 category may extend outside the actual limits of the ore reserves defined in the C2 category. The outer limits of P1-type resources are determined indirectly by extrapolating from similar known mineral deposits in the area. P1 is the main source from which C2 reserves can be increased.

Category P2 – These resources represent possible mineral structures in known mineral deposits or ore-bearing regions. They are estimated based on geophysical and geochemical data. Morphology, mineral composition and size of the orebody are estimated by analogy with similar mineralised geological structures in the area.

Category P3 – Any potential ore-bearing deposits are classified as resources in the P3 category. The presence of these resources relies on the theoretical definition of a 'favourable geological environment'. Resource figures are derived from figures of similar deposits in the region.

Estimates of prognostic resources (P1, P2, and P3) routinely depend on assumptions and projections regarding the probable dimensions (length, width and depth) and grade of the deposit, which are subject to confirmation by more detailed investigations.

In decision-making on a new mining project, the categories normally taken into account are A, B, C1, and C2. There is, therefore, a broad equivalence between these and the Western proved and probable reserves.

DEPOSIT CATEGORIES

Deposits are categorised by their complexity (figure 2) and by their size and shape. These two categorisation systems overlap to a significant extent, in that complexity-class I deposits tend also to be in shape/size group 1.

COMPLEXITY CLASSES

- I** – No structural complexity, uniform thickness and homogeneous grades
- II** – More complex, non-uniform thickness and significant grade variability
- III** – Highly complex structure, significant variations in thickness and very uneven grade distribution
- IV** – Extremely complex structure, extreme variations in thickness and in grade distribution

SIZE/SHAPE GROUPS

Group 1 deposits – Large deposits, simple in form, with uniform distribution of minerals (examples: coal, some iron and disseminated copper deposits). A normal density of drill holes allows the definition of a high level of A and B reserves.

Group 2 deposits – Large deposits with different and sometimes complicated forms and uneven distribution of minerals (examples: some iron and sedimentary copper deposits). Up to only B category reserves may be defined with a normal grid of drill holes. A combination of drilling and underground workings may be necessary to define the reserves. Category A reserves can be established only by close-spaced drilling and underground workings.

Group 3 deposits – Smaller-sized deposits with uneven distribution of minerals (examples: some veins, skarns, dykes, and pegmatite deposits). Drill holes can establish only C1 reserves. B reserves can be established only with underground workings.

Group 4 deposits

– Smaller-sized deposits similar to shape/size-group 3 deposits or with even more complex shapes (examples: some veins, skarns, dykes, pegmatite deposits and gold placers). Category A reserves cannot be established with drilling or a normal grid of underground workings. Drilling in combination with underground workings is necessary to establish category B reserves.

Group 5 deposits – Small pocket deposits. Category A and B reserves cannot be established. Only category C reserves can be established, by systematic prospecting.

Thus, hard-rock gold deposits typically are of complexity classes III and IV, and size/shape groups 3, 4 and 5. The result of this is that reported exploration reserves and resources – even at the stage of making the decision to commence mining – can reach only the C1 classification. Indeed, in many projects, even during mining, there will be no reserves classified as A or B.

To expand on this: the maximum level of confidence that can be achieved depends on the type of deposit. Thus, the 'highest' two reserve categories – A and B – do not necessarily require more work than a C1 category. The reason for this thought process is that there is a limit to the amount of certainty that can be achieved. Therefore, a complexity-class III-type deposit will continue to have a high degree of uncertainty even if additional work (such as a tighter drilling pattern) were done. So, the highest reserve category that could

FIGURE 2: COMPLEXITY CLASSES

	I	II	III	IV
Highest categories of reserves normally achievable	A	A,B	C1	C2

FIGURE 3: BASIC WESTERN APPROACH

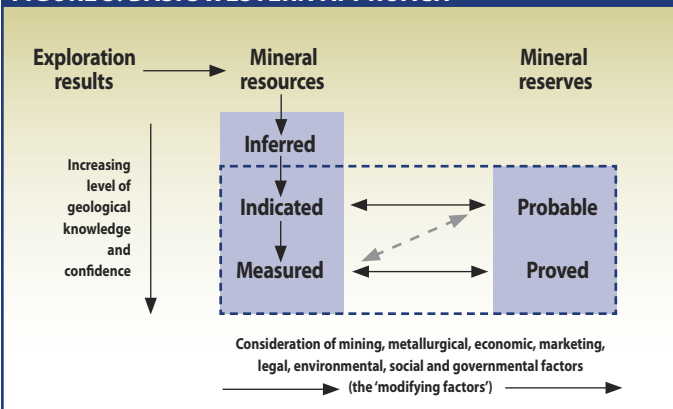
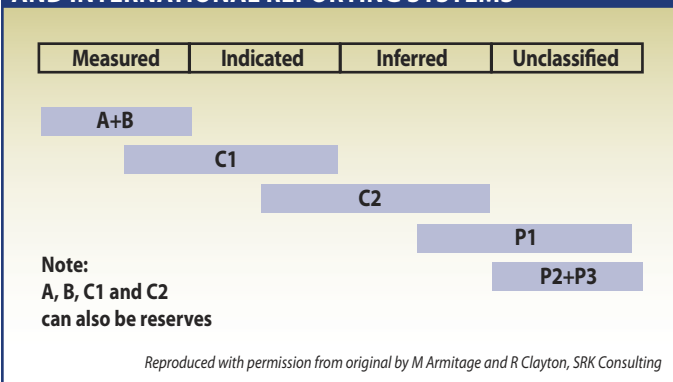


FIGURE 4: RECONCILIATION OF RUSSIAN AND INTERNATIONAL REPORTING SYSTEMS



normally be awarded under the Russian system to a complexity-class III deposit is C1.

Based on this argument, the highest category that can normally be allocated to a complexity-class II deposit is B, and only a complexity-class I deposit can be awarded an A reserve category, ie highest quality and a large degree of confidence. Obviously, the drilling requirements (though not necessarily the other engineering and economic studies) are less onerous for a simpler type of deposit. Thus, a complexity-class I deposit could achieve an 'A' reserve category even if the drilling is fairly wide-spaced.

In addition to considerations about deposit type, the Russian system is also concerned with progressive elimination of as much uncertainty as possible. So, the Russian approach also takes into account the coefficient of variation of the ore grade. The coefficient of variation is the ratio of the amount of variability (standard deviation) relative to the value of the mean.

Thus an A-type reserve would be one where the grade of the deposit might be known to a confidence level of 90%, a B reserve to a confidence level of 75%, and a C1 reserve to a confidence level of 50%. Even though the C1 reserve might be drilled on a closer spacing, the variability of the grade distribution would be such that a higher reserve category would not be warranted.

INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT

There are two key aspects of the international and the

various Western national codes:

■ Their reliance upon the professional judgment of 'competent persons' who are qualified, experienced, and are members of relevant recognised professional bodies with enforceable rules of conduct

■ Their use of a set of common concepts to define reserves and resources according to a standardised nomenclature.

Like the Russian system, there is classification according to increasing levels of confidence derived from progressively more detailed exploration data (figure 3).

Unlike the Russian system, there is an explicit separation between this and the economic and technical factors – which are reflected in a transfer from resources to reserves. (In the Russian system, the transition from P categories to C2 and above is taken as being also the transition from resources to reserves.)

It must be noted that the quoted numbers for resources or reserves are not exact. Although reserves and resources may be stated as quite precise numbers, in terms of tonnage and grade, they are based on best estimates, and as such cannot be exact.

In the international reporting codes, the boundaries between ore classes are flexible. Particularly for resources, it is the responsibility of a qualified competent person to decide when sufficient data are available to move ore resources from inferred to indicated, and from indicated to measured. This contrasts with the Russian system, where the transfer between categories is decided on much more objective criteria.

RECONCILIATION OF RUSSIAN AND INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMS

A broad equivalence between the classifications may be

presented as follows.

Russian	International reporting code, JORC etc
A, B	Proved reserve/measured resource
C1	Proved or probable reserve/indicated resource
C2	Probable reserve/indicated resource/inferred resource
P1	Inferred resource
P2	Reconnaissance mineral resource (as found under UN Framework Classification for Reserves/Resources, code 334)
P3	No equivalent
(See also figure 4)	

Reserves (in Western classifications such as JORC) will generally contain material of categories A, B, and C1, but adjacent to existing or planned mining operations (where technical and economic studies have been carried out), C2 will often also be considered as part of the reserves. In exploration areas (where no mine planning has been done), C2 might more appropriately be thought of as indicated resource.

For material to be included in A, B, and C1 categories there has generally been sufficient technical and economic study carried out to interpret them as reserves. C2, as noted above, depending on the circumstances, may correspond to inferred or indicated resources or to a probable reserve, though the Russian rules for acceptance of C2 also require a substantial amount of additional work to have been done beyond that which would be needed simply to establish a resource.

The Russian classification allows for something known as a 'sub-economic reserve' (often material that is classified as *zabalansoviy* resources). This is material that has been intensely drilled and analysed (including

economics, engineering, etc) but which is not economic under current conditions.

This material would not be considered a reserve according to the SEC standard, but could well fit within the measured and indicated category under the International Code. Moreover, the intent of the classification is the same. This is material that has been the subject of a full feasibility, but which does not fall into an economic reserve at present.

When expressing Russian classified reserves and resources in terms of one of the Western codes, it is important that a competent person (in the sense of the International Reporting Code definition) who understands both systems should carry out the conversion.

It is important to note that in the Western codes, the methods of analysis are not defined. For example, the JORC definitions use words such as 'appropriate' and 'estimation'.

Much reliance is placed on the experience of the competent person supervising the analysis. However, the exact methodology of the analysis is not defined – and is deliberately left open to allow for developments in exploration, mining and geostatistics.

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Appendix D

Drill Hole Collar Coordinates and Trench Locations

Ozherelie Drill Hole Collars

Hole Number	Coordinates of hole collar		Elevation of Collar
	X	Y	
Zone 1:			
1	20368139.47	6503913.42	773.63
2	20368144.38	6503852.91	758.32
3	20368114.66	6503942.76	775.79
4	20368194.11	6503897.96	780.30
5	20368174.53	6503942.69	788.47
6	20368136.80	6503974.95	790.66
7	20368197.93	6503783.15	753.96
8	20368174.86	6503828.45	758.20
9	20367826.07	6504167.53	759.64
10	20367857.58	6504123.83	759.69
11	20368089.03	6503987.64	785.71
29	20368113.66	6503880.64	754.89
30	20368114.24	6503879.50	754.80
31	20368114.80	6503878.68	754.60
Zone 4:			
12	20366147.11	6509047.33	1017.67
13	20366215.77	6509186.78	1005.00
14	20366313.21	6509513.47	978.63
16	20366205.82	6509100.47	1013.75
17	20366279.25	6509325.72	992.99
18	20365958.15	6509791.40	964.73

Ozherelie Trench Coordinates

Trench	Trench end points	Coordinates of trench end points		elevation
		X	Y	Z
116	Initial	20368007.98	6503917.17	744.25
	Final	20368019.07	6503963.88	761.40
106	Initial	20368039.44	6503923.04	753.70
	Final	20368085.45	6503983.06	782.65
115	Initial	20368106.63	6503934.04	772.00
	Final	20368069.26	6503894.34	753.00
123	Initial	20368109.96	6503909.81	766.65
	Final	20368134.30	6503926.31	777.35
102	Initial	20368063.82	6503827.40	734.00
	Final	20368154.75	6503924.92	776.30
122	Initial	20368090.42	6503831.94	745.50
	Final	20368137.18	6503880.00	765.70
114	Initial	20368111.78	6503803.42	743.20
	Final	20368144.35	6503845.80	755.60
101	Initial	20368134.87	6503785.10	740.40
	Final	20368177.11	6503819.82	754.10

Ykanskoye Drill Hole Collars

Hole Number	Coordinates of drillhole collar		Elevation of drillhole collar
	X	Y	H
21	20360604.91	6495634.28	946.31
20	20360566.95	6495639.95	952.64
19	20360524.25	6495657.16	961.69
28	20360552.48	6495731.29	961.09
22	20360622.90	6495687.74	947.26
23	20360686.82	6495618.14	928.70
24	20360776.60	6495689.08	917.04
25	20360144.30	6496006.42	985.5
27	20360311.57	6495920.99	978.0
26	20360184.66	6496075.18	977.6
32	20360870.30	6495764.50	908.10

Location of Ykanskoye Trenches

Trench #	End points of trenches	Coordinates of end points of trenches		Elevation of points
		X	Y	
201	beginning	20360569.60	6495617.05	942.70
	end	20360573.04	6495595.32	946.60
202	beginning	20360616.56	6495564.59	928.10
	end	20360607.34	6495604.54	938.50
203	beginning	20360650.42	6495572.41	924.40
	end	20360646.59	6495588.97	929.00
204	beginning	20360681.76	6495574.38	918.70
	end	20360676.80	6495591.69	924.00
205	beginning	20360713.44	6495550.28	908.60
	end	20360702.83	6495589.89	920.20
206	beginning	20360757.09	6495564.94	904.70
	end	20360753.64	6495597.76	913.70
207	beginning	20360797.84	6495557.68	896.90
	end	20360794.18	6495587.46	905.50
208	beginning	20360826.89	6495553.41	891.90
	end	20360822.38	6495579.02	898.70
209	beginning	20360852.65	6495546.85	885.50
	end	20360850.25	6495569.72	892.10
210	beginning	20360897.47	6495540.53	874.70
	end	20360894.41	6495562.32	882.20
211	beginning	20360936.83	6495536.17	867.70
	end	20360929.48	6495561.07	875.50
212	beginning	20360981.54	6495533.86	859.90
	end	20360975.40	6495553.95	866.60
213	beginning	20361020.52	6495522.04	850.70
	end	20361019.42	6495555.01	860.40
221	beginning	20360506.23	6495602.27	953.20
	end	20360507.83	6495650.23	961.30
226	beginning	20360468.34	6495689.41	966.90
	end	20360483.39	6495706.81	966.80
220	beginning	20360419.17	6495745.81	970.60
	end	20360429.64	6495759.20	970.50
219	beginning	20360355.55	6495821.69	974.20
	end	20360364.00	6495839.81	974.10
218	beginning	20360289.26	6495887.14	976.30
	end	20360304.92	6495910.35	975.60